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Dollar Continues Plunge; U.S. Says It Has No Target

LATE NEWS

Austrian Parties Form Coalition

VIENNA (AP) - The Sorishists and the conservative People's Party agreed Wednes-day to join in a "grand coali-tion," Chancellor Franz Vran-

The decision followed more than eight weeks of negotialargest parties, after elections on Nov. 23 left neither party strong enough to govern alone.

CBS Elects Officers

NEW YORK (AP) - The board of CBS Inc. unanimously elected William S. Paley on Wednesday as chairman and Laurence A. Tisch as president and chief executive. Both men had held the titles on an acting basis since September.

PESEDE TODAY



No. it's no flake, but a computer simulation of a

If Iran said it has opened a new war front against Iraq. Page 2. ■ The U.S. Supreme Court up-

age outlets.

EU.S. retail sales, aided by auto sales and Christmas shop-

The U.S. Supreme Court allowed national banks to estabtish discount securities broker-

snowflake - part of science's attempt to understand nature's winter riddle. Science, Page 7.

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held a law providing pregnancy heave for workers. Page 3.

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ping, rose a near-record 4.4 percent in December. Page 9.

By Ferdinand Protzman International Herald Tribune FRANKFURT - The dollar

The report, later confirmed by the White House, reinforced the bearishness that has driven the U.S.

In Asia, the dollar plummeted in hectic trading despite purchases of \$1.5 billion by the Bank of Japan. It closed in Tokyo at 1.8545 West

In London, the U.S. currency closed at 1.8410 DM, slightly above the day's trading low of 1.8355 DM but down sharply from Tuesday's close of 1.8753. It closed at 153.45

In Frankfurt, it recovered slighty to 1.8633 DM at the fixing, down from 1.8810 Tuesday. In earlier trading the dollar had dropped to

Tuesday, and to 152.50 yen from 155.65.

lation that officials of the five leading industrial nations will meet in coming weeks to discuss develop-

But the U.S. Treasury denied Wednesday that plans for a meet-ing of the so-called Group of Five

by a New York Times article Tues-

trade deficit, which set a monthly record in December, and declined to say how far they thought the dollar should be allowed to fall. Larry Speakes, the White House

other currencies, as it has, in a steady and coordinated manner," he said, "but we're not setting a target." He denied that the administration was trying to "talk the dollar down."

dollar against the mark.

"We're looking for the dollar to drop to DM 1.65 and 135 year by See DOLLAR, Page 13

plunged again Wednesday after it was reported that the Reagan ad-ministration wants it to decline still

currency to its lowest levels in more

German marks.

yen in London, compared with 155.70.

The slide continued in New York. At midsession the dollar was quoted at 1.8323 DM, down almost pfennigs from 1.8735 at the close

The sudden acceleration of the dollar's descent has caused specu-

were being made. Currency dealers said that the decline Wednesday was provoked

day quoting Reagan administration sources as saying they did not expect the government to try to halt he dollar's slide. The sources cited the nation's

The administration was thought earlier to have set 1.90 DM as a target. But with that barrier breached, many monetary experts are forecasting historic lows for the

Near the Tower of London, a beefeater

spowstorm. In Venice,

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by snow, a motorist gets

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spokesiman, confirmed the substance of the New York Times reFrance Calls Out Troops to Clear Snow

PARIS - France called out the army on Wednesday to help the country dig out of heavy snow, as freezing temperatures that have caused at least 130 deaths across

Europe continued. Road and rail transport remained disrupted by some of the worst winter weather in 25 years, and driving and walking in cities throughout Europe was hazardous. More people died, mainly on perilous roads, and some were found

en to death. The biggest death toll, 77, was in

the Soviet Union, which is experi-

France reported five deaths on Wednesday, for a total of 14 since the cold wave began over the week-end. Prime Minister Jacques Chirac, who is also mayor of Paris, mobilized army troops to help clear the 5.5 inches (14 centimeters) of snow that fell on the French capital, the fourth heaviest on record.

The cold snap followed strikes in France by transport and utility workers that had brought power cuts to homes and businesses and

disruption to commuters and travencing its worst January since 1950.

President François Mitterrand appealed to the army to help in efforts to feed and shelter the homeless. Some Métro stations in Paris were left open Tuesday night

mph (120 kph) piled up snow drifts Thatcher's government ordered in the southwest, where 15 inches emergency grants of £5 (\$7.50) a

mobilized Wednesday. Highways. North. including sections of the Mediterranean coastal road, were blocked by snow. All routes across the Pyrenees between France and Spain were impassable.

Britain reported at least 27 deaths, mainly of elderly people, Temperatures were about minus from hypothermia, accidents or 10 degrees centigrade (14 degrees heart attacks brought on by the Fahrenheit) while winds up to 75 cold. Prime Minister Margaret of snow fell since Tuesday after- week be given to retired people to noon.

British Rail virtually suspended London area commuter services Wednesday morning because of snow, keeping up to 700,000 people from work. Police in several British regions urged people to stay home unless it was a "matter of life or

Food stores in Kent reported panic buying. Some remote villages in the area have been without fresh See COLD, Page 6

Is Rumored

ministration source said was "like authorizing half a war," was explic-itly permitted by Congress in legislative compromises made in late At that time, the Senate was bat-tling to expand U.S. help to the rebels, known as "contras," and the

ng to eliminate it entirely. Rather than continuing what had been a complete cutoff of CIA assistance to the contras, Congress agreed in November 1985 to a modification that allowed the agency to provide intelligence and counterintelligence advice" and "information."

A staff report issued by the Senate and House said this assistance also could include "infrastructure expenditures and communications

Administration sources said that

arms to Iran and that was delibercommittees in Congress.

tions in relevant Central American

Reagan Ordered Secret CIA Aid **For Contras**

By Bob Woodward Washington Post Service

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WASHINGTON - President Ronald Reagan signed a top secret ntelligence order on Jan. 9, 1986. authorizing the Central Intelligence Agency in provide intelli-gence advice, training and communications equipment to the Nicaraguan rebels, according to administration and congressional

Under the Reagan order, known as a "finding," a total of \$13 mil-lion was spent in 1986 nn ClA assistance in the rebels, the sources

The CIA moved quickly to carry out the finding because it provided an apportunity to help the rebels with critical aid at a time when Congress had prohibited U.S. military assistance in their fight against Nicaragua's Sandinist government. That intelligence and communi-

cations aid, which one Reagan ad-

louse of Representatives was try-

In general, according to a variety of sources, the rebel fight was kept alive in 1986, before Congress resumed military assistance last fall, through the \$13 million in CIA assistance, along with \$27 million in "humanitarian" aid appropriated by Congress in 1985 and a network of private fund-raising efforts coordinated by n former National Traffic in Paris was nearly im- Lieutenant Columel Oliver L.

> in the overall conflict the intelligence and communications assistance may have been more imporlant than weapons.

Mr. Reagan's Jan. 9 finding was reported to the congressional intelnce committees as required, unlike the finding he signed eight days later that authorized the sale of ately kept secret from the oversight

Although the finding is basically a restatement of the law, the CIA cannot undertake any covert ac-tion, including providing advice, without formal presidential ap-

Once Mr. Reagan signed the Jan. 9 order, the director of central intelligence, William J. Casey, moved quickly to strengthen the CIA stacountries and to ensure that the CIA and other U.S. intelligence

gencies monitored every phase of the conflict, sources said.

One source said the National Security Agency, the Pentagon's Defense intelligence Agency and the U.S. military intelligence services were given additional tasks to en-sure that "the Sandinistas and contras were covered with a blanket." Another source said several doz-

en intelligence reports on the conflict flowed out of one major Central American C1A station each day in 1986. The sources said \$10 million was spent on this heightened intelligence gathering, and \$3 mil-See AID, Page 6

In Beijing, Hu's Ouster

By Jim Mann

BELJING - The Chinese Communist Party convened an extraordinary high-level meeting Wednes-day at which changes in the party leadership may be approved, diplo-

mats reported.

The diplomats said it appears increasingly likely that the meeting was called to approve the ouster of Hu Yaobang, the top-ranking aide to China's senior leader, Deng Xiaoping. Mr. Hu is secretary-gen-eral of the Communist Party.

Foreign Communist newspa have reported "rumors" that Mr. Hu would be replaced as party chief by Prime Minister Zhan Ziyang. The prime minister is another Deng protégé, but he has concerned himself primarily with economic policy and not with questions of political nr ideological

Mr. Hu has not been seen in public for more than two weeks. A. spokesman for the international liaison department of the party said Monday that Mr. Hu has health problems. The spokesman would not respond to questions about whether Mr. Hu remains the secretary-general.

Japan's Kyodo news agency, which has had a good record for accuracy in covering China's recent political developments, said Wednesday that Mr. Deng had criticized Mr. Hu on three occasions since the end of December and had

once urged him to resign.

Mr. Hu is reported to have been accused of displaying a lenient attitude toward student demonstrators and toward "bourgeois liberalization." a term covering a wide range of Western democratic ideas.

One Western diplomat said he believed that the party had called a special meeting of the Central Committee, the 209-member group responsible for setting the overall direction of party policy. "The meeting is now under way," he

Generally, the Central Committee meets only once a year nr so. It See CHINA, Page 6

Whither Strauss — Bavaria or Bonn?

Premier Campaigns for 'Emergence From Third Reich'

By James M. Markham

AUGGEN, West Germany -- It is the refrain that touches off the stormiest applause. Hunkered behind the podium, Franz Josef Strauss calls upon his compatriots to come out of "the shadows of the Third Reich" and be proud to be Germans again.

"We have to end the attempt to limit German history to the 12 years of Hitler — the representation of German history as an endless path of Germans' mistakes and crimes, eriminalizing the Germans," the premier of Bavaria de-clared. "We must emerge from the dismal Third Reich and become a normal nation again."

rally to the combative Mr. Strauss. In an election campaign lacking great suspense, one of the most consequential riddles is whether the conservative 71-year-old Bavarian's uncertain ambitions will carry him to Bonn as vice chancellor and as a political bull in a coalition

Several thousand Black Forest vintners and farmers sat up straight on their tippy wooden benches and clapped, cheered and shouted as Mr. Strauss, in his recent speech, plunged forward with his message of patriotic renewal:

Germans in monstrous numbers about one and n half bours in his committed terrible crimes - and and the remainder of the day in the connection with reality. But it ominously suggest that if he does White House residence, officials would be the same loss of reality to come to Bonn he will give Chancelsay that the Germans and their for Helmut Kohl's center-right co-



Franz Josef Strauss, Bavaria's premier, on campaign trail.

zation, Mr. Strauss contended, West Germany needs a strong na-

"We don't want any totally fanatical nationalists, and nothing like s nation of youthful fanatical nationalists," he cried. "But instead of a nation of 60 million fanatical nationalists we don't want a

tional identity and an end to "the

blockade of its return to historical

nation of 60 million nihilists!" The roomy agricultural exhibi-tion hall boomed with applause. His foes, and Mr. Strauss is a man some Germans love to hate.

reviving the spirit of the Cold War down sharply on dissenters at

Mr. Kohl to declare Monday that an election victory for his coalition would not mean a rightward shift.

"We were concerned," said an aide to the chancellor, "that certain things said in the heat of the campaign might have clouded our policies. We didn't want there to be any doubt about this nutside the coun-

was variously minister for nuclear power, Imance and defense, would dearly like to crown his long career by becoming foreign minister. But

Strains Raise New Concern About Reagan

By Martin Tolchin New York Times Service WASHINGTON - Congressional leaders long concerned about what they consider President Ron-

FOR Most say their concerns have been heightened in recent meetings with CLASSIFE him at the White House. The leaders, among them some of Mr. Reignn's political allies. note the strains on Mr. Reagan both from the crisis over arms sales to Iran and from recent presiden-

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tial illnesses and surgery. They mention the tensions gen-crated by the Republican loss of Lankingh the Senate in November, after Mr. Reagan had invested much of his ome and prestige last fall trying to retain control. They also cite his status as a fame duck, which they say has emboldened some on Capitol Hill to declare open season on a managerial style that had served

1.11.11.11 the president well. Some say, these new tensions merely exacerbated Mr. Reagan's long-established tendency to ig-Commence of the note the muss and bolts of government. They stress that this has $(i_{j_1,\ldots,j_{k-1}})^{r_{j_k}}$ nothing to do with his age — the president will turn 76 next month leadership style that has been evi-- but is rather a reflection of a dent since his days as governor of

entropy of the His supporters argue that his ability to focus on broad objectives and not set beyond and not get bogged down in details has been one of his strengths as a leader. But now many to form the strengths as a including some Reagan ailies, are not only more openly questioning the president's mastery of the fine points, they also are wondering if an comparehends some broader is-lines, at a time when perilous issues

have emerged. Shortly before Christmas, for in-stance, Mr. Reagan invited about for White House spokesman, Mar-tempt to blame the news media and

See REAGAN, Page 6

By Lou Cannon

and David Höffman

Waskington Post Service

"Regan didn't want to make any

publican sources.

Ronald Reagan acknowledges applause from Treasury Edwin Meese 3d, and James Burly, deputy assistant secre-Secretary James A. Baker 3d, left, Attorney General tary of transportation, after the first 1987 cabinet meeting.

WASHINGTON — Donald T.

Regan, whose hold on his job as
White House chief of staff seemed

Office of Management and Budget tenuous two weeks ago, is now se-under its former director, David A. cure in his position and moving to Stockman, and is now a top official fill key White House vacancies with with the conservative Hoover Instihis personal choices, according to tution, has met with Mr. Regan and Reagan administration and Re- is the leading candidate for the post

of domestic policy director.

Two White House officials said moves while he was fighting for his they also expected the White House own survival," a senior White communications director, Patrick House official said. "Now that he's

J. Buchanan, to leave, possibly to fought off the demands for his resignation, he is putting his own dential nomination. One of these stamp on the place."

campaign for the Republican presidential nomination. One of these officials said that Mr. Researches 20 Republican congressional lead- in Fitzwater, was named to suc- Congress for damage suffered by crs to provide 'input' into his State ceed Larry Speakes. On Triesday, President Ronald Reagan in the ceed Larry Speakes. On Triesday, President Ronald Reagan in the sign to help give the president "a White House sources said that, Mr. controversy over the Iran arms fresh start" after the Iran arms con-Many of them left dismayed, Regan would select a domestic possales and the diversion of funds to iroversy crupted. Despite this confrontation, officials said, Mr. Re-

days, filling a post vacant since

John A. Svahn resigned in Septemjection from Regan if Buchanan
decided to leave, a White House official said, "but no one is going to ask him to leave. The timing of the departure is up to Pat."

At White House, Regan Recovers Footing

Another White House official said of Mr. Buchanan, "We assume he's on the way out the door, but he hasn't made a move yet." If Mr. Buchanan leaves, Mr. Regan is ex-pected to fill the vacancy with his deputy, Dennis Thomas. The White House political direc-

tor, Mitchell E. Daniels Jr.; also is expected to leave within the next few months, although be said Tuesday that be had made no decision Early last month, Mr. Daniels told Mr. Regan that he should re-

One official said the chief of staff respected Daniels for saying to his face what others were saying behind his back."

gan has not pressured Mr. Daniels

verely limited, on doctors' orders, while he recovers from prostate A White House official said Mr. Reagan was frustrated by the restrictions but was being given lots of reading material. "It's not hard

to get through to him" with written

but personal contact is tightly re-

nunications, the official said,

Mr. Reagan, who presided Tues-day over a cabinet meeting, spends office each morning and afternoon

The emphatic assertion of a German national identity comes natu-Mr. Regan's new assertion of authority comes as the president's physical activities have been sechina shop - after the vote Jan. 25.

The historical truth shows that

allies did not suffer horrible crimes alition a sharp shove to the right, at the end of the war and after it!" To fulfill its vital role as a self- in foreign affairs and cracking confident democracy at the beart of the North Atlantic Treaty Organi-

normality."

Hard-line statements prompted

It is an open secret that Mr. Strauss, who in the 1950s and '60s

See STRAUSS, Page 6

Tehran Says Its Forces Have Opened 2d Front; Missile Hits Baghdad

MANAMA, Bahrain — Iran said Wednesday that it had opened

third in four days. Both sides reported inflicting heavy casualties in fighting on the central front, east of Baghdad and about 280 miles (450 kilometers) north of battles raging since Friday in southern Iraq.

Gulf-based diplomats said they believed that Iran wanted to open a second front to take pressure off its forces trying to move toward Basra, Iraq's second-largest city.

Iran said the "limited" operation north of the Iranian town of Sumar had succeeded in regaining some border territory held by Iraq since the first days of the war in Septem-

Iraq said the Iranians had briefly occupied a small border post but the overnight offensive had been

"The enemy offensive has failed and the invaders were defeated, leaving piles of corpses and large numbers of prisoners," an Iraqi

Residents in Baghdad said a surface-to-surface missile hit the city of about 4.5 million people at around midday Wednesday.

An Iraqi military spokesman aid a number of civilians were killed or wounded and that several houses were destroyed. No precise death toll has been given for the three missile attacks since Sunday.

The developments coincide with Iranian calls for postponement of an Islamic summit meeting due to be held in Kuwait later this mouth. Both Iran and Iran have been invited, but Iran says it will not attend because Kuwait is not neutral in

The UN secretary-general, Javier Pérez de Cuéllar, who plans to travel to Kuwait for the Jan. 26-28 meeting, proposed on Tuesday an urgent Security Council meeting at nister level to try to year war. the foreign mir end the war.

He said he was ready to go to Baghdad and Tehran if such visits could get negotiations under way. Iran says no peace is possible with the present Iraqi leadership.

Iran said Tuesday that its forces had seized 38 square miles (100 square kilometers) of Iraqi land in its southern drive toward Basra.

Diplomats in Baghdad said Iran had also massed hundreds of thousands of regular troops opposite frag's Second Army Corps in the

The Iraqi communique said Iran had used regular army troops to rhead a cross-border attack for the first time in the war.

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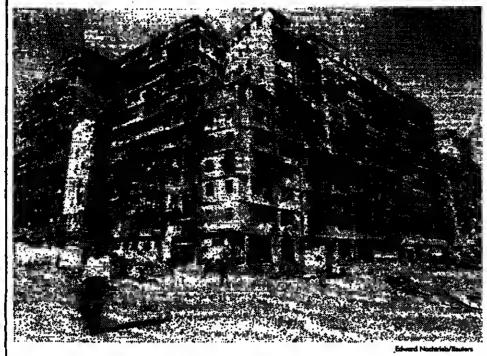
viet-made Tupolev bombers were shot down Wednesday over the a second war front following a major thrust in southern Iraq and a number of Iraqi ancraft reported missile attack on Beghdad, the downed since Friday. Iraq has acknowledged the loss of six planes.

I Iran Strikes at Kuwaitis

Iran stepped up attacks Wednesday on Kuwait's oil lifeline through the Gulf with a fourth missile attack in nine days on tankers serving the emirate, Reuters reported from Knwait.

Regional shipping sources said an Iranian warship lived a missile the 16,745-ton Kuwaiti-owned tanker Saudiah, laden with 25,000 tons of refined oil, shortly after

An engine room fire raged for more than two hours and living quarters were damaged. But no ca-sualties were reported among the



Hong Kong to Tear Down a Landmark Slum

some importance."

"It is an open secret," he said,

"that the government of Tehran for

several years campaigned against

the Soviet Union and our bilateral

relations deteriorated to a great ex-

Mr. Belonogov suggested that the Soviet Union was providing

arms to Iraq to keep Iran from winning the war. Asked bow the

Soviet Union could call for negoti-

ations at the same time it was sell-

ing arms to Iraq, be replied, "The

more the side on the offensive is

sure it can win, the more stubborn

it will be in pursuing the victory."

Union had encouraged its allies to

He said that was why the Soviet

Hong Kong announced Wednesday that one of the colony's worst slums, known as the Walled City, would be torn down and replaced by a park. About 40,000 people are thought to live in the cluster of 12-story buildings north of the airport. The park project is expected to be completed by 1990.

Soviet Statement on Gulf Said to Show Tilt to Iraq, 'Direct Warning to Iran'

By Elaine Sciolino New York Times Service

York - An official Soviet state- et statement said. "Despite the the so-called 'Soviet threat' to the ment on the Iran-Iraq war suggests complex and acute nature of the that Moscow is tilting further to-ward Iraq while warning Iran, ac-cording to Western and Arab dip-insurmountable obstacles for the lomats and experts on Iran.

The statement, issued simultaneously last week in the Soviet Union, several other nations and at the United Nations, also accuses the United States of having escalated the war by secretly selling weap-

The Soviet statement was regarded here as the clearest, most detailed policy pronouncement to to diplomats and experts. date by the Soviet Union on the six-

It comes at a time when Iranian-Soviet relations are in flux because Kremlin may announce a withdrawal of some of its troops from

vict involvement in Afghanistan. The Soviet Union has previously taken great care in its public pronouncements to remain noncom-mittal on which side it supports in the war, both to bedge its bets in the event of an Iranian victory and to court Iran's leadership.

Although the Soviet Union reeins Iraq's largest arms supplier, North Korea and the East bloc.

"Military methods only make is trying to justify its political the final settlement more distant machinations and behind-the-UNITED NATIONS, New and don't bring it closer," the Sovicessation of the war and the estab-

lishment of peace." Iran has vowed to continue to fight "until victory." Tehran has that should be deprived of arms. demanded that the Iraqis take responsibility for starting the war and that they overthrow their president, Saddam Hussein. The Soviet statement is a message to Iran to abandon those demands, according

"It is a new degree of Soviet involvement in war policy and a direct warning to Iran," said one diplomat who monitors developof the secret American arms sales ments in the war. "It is the clearest to Iran and indications that the Soviet policy statement I have seen concerning the war."

Since American arms sales to Afghanistan. Iran has opposed So- Iran were disclosed, the Soviet tent." press has repeatedly accused the United States of interfering in the internal affairs of Iran. This statement, however, is the first to blame the United States for prolonging

Forget them not.

the end of the Iran-Iran conflict," the Soviet statement said, "the United States in reality is lanning it does not block the shipment of the flames of the war, provoking weapons to Iran by Libya, Syria, further bloodshed between the two neighboring countries. Washington sell arms to Iraq.

In Beirut **Disappears** scenes arms deals by references to

BEIRUT - A Sandi diplomat Gulf countries." has disappeared in Moslem-con-trolled West Beirut and is feared to At a news conference at the United Nations on Thursday, the chief Soviet delegate, Alexander M. Belonogov, clearly blamed Iran for continuing the war. He character have been kidnapped, the police said Wednesday. They said Bakr Damanhuri ar-

rived at Beirut International Airized Iran as the aggressor nation port from Jeddah on Monday and disappeared between the airport He added that the Soviet Union road and his apartment. "does not support materially or in No group has claimed responsiany other form the party that is on bility for the abduction of Mr. Da-

Saudi Envoy

the offensive, and I think this is of manhuri, who is responsible for Sandi student affairs in Beirut. In what diplomats interpreted as Mr. Damanhuri's disappearance followed the kidnapping Tuesday of a French photographer, Roger Auque, which also has not been an extraordinarily blunt admission, Mr. Belonogov acknowledged problems in Soviet-Iranian rela-

med by any group. It also came as Terry Waite, the Church of England envoy, was continuing his mission in West Beirut in an attempt to gain the release of

foreign hostag Saudi Arabia condemned what it said was Mr. Damanhuri's abduction. "The kingdom deplores such terrorist actions and calls on Lebanese authorities to act quickly and free him," the Saudi Press Agency quoted an official as saying.

A special Arab League committee, meanwhile, met President Amin Gemayel on Wednesday for talks aimed at ending fighting be-tween Palestinians and Shiite Moslem militiamen at refugee camps in Lebanon, official sources said.

Chad Puts Libyans on Display

By Jonathan C. Randai

NDJAMENA, Chad - Chad put more than 100 captured Libyans on display in the capital, Ndjamens, and called on the Libyan Army and people to overthrow their leader. Colonel Montannar

The prisoners were paraded Tuesday onto the stage at the For-eign Ministry auditorium for a twohour ceremony attended by the press, diplomatic corps and selected members of the Chadian elite. Most of the prisoners, who were

barefooted, appeared to be in good health. Chadian soldiers, however, carried one badly burned pusoner in on a stretcher, and several other Libyans were clean bandages.
Only a week ago, the authorities

had to cut short a similar ceremony when 22 of the same prisoners, many with bloodstained dressings and uniforms, were stoned by a large crowd.

other but against Libya. Rebels loyel to former President

Goukouni Oueddei have recently joined government forces. The entire ceremony was con-

most Chadians.

annexationist ambitions.

lice state," wasted its oil riches and reduced the population to litting up for scarce necessities. Chad, the minister said, respect-

tee of the Red Cross. There was no apparent reaction

the outset," he said, "for this work

though they said they were being "well treated."

with a Libyan ground and air at-tack just outside the outpost at Zouar. He said 16 Libyans were

killed and six prisoners were taken,

including Turks and Malians.

Details of the fighting in the north, about 600 miles (1,000 kilo-

meters) from Ndjamena, could not

be confirmed independently.

■ Libyan Assails West

ISLAMABAD, Pakistan (Renters) - The Afghan government's prom-

General Najibullah arged the guertillas, who have rejected the cease

In announcing the cease-fire on Jan. 3, General Najibullah promised the guerrillas an amnesty and peace talks and reiterated his pledge to

Greek Workers Begin General Strike

ATHENS (Reuters) — Greek power workers stopped work on reduceday before the 24-hour general strike scheduled for Thursday

over demands for an end to a freeze on government wages.

The strike Wednesday, by about 30,000 electricity workers, resulted in power outages in Athens and northern Greece, where there is severe cold

Two million government workers are expected to join the strike on

Thursday. Virtually every sector of the Greek work force will be affected

including transport workers, teachers, pilots, bank clerks and judges. A Greek airports, except in Athens, will be closed, and most foreign flight

LONDON (AP) - Britain and

Spain concluded on Wednesday a

new round of talks on Gibraltar,

but without satisfying Spain's

claim to sovereignty over the Brit-

Britain's foreign secretary, Sir

Geoffrey Howe, and Foreign Min-

ister Francisco Fernández Ordóñez

of Spain held talks Tuesday and

Wednesday, and Mr. Ordónez was

later received by Prime Minister

The Foreign Office said there

honor the wishes of the 25,000 Gi-

braltarians, most of whom desire to

ministers noted some progress on

Margaret Thatches

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form a coalition government that would include opposition figures.

100 Prisoners Paraded Before Press and Diplomats

his name, sent greetings to his fam-ily and said, "We should fight to free Palestine" from Israeli control, 'not make trouble for Chad." The authorities appeared pleased with the prisoners' performance. Toward the end, Chadian soldiers passed out cigarettes. That was the only time the captives showed any real animation, and some had to be prevented from pushing aside their fellows for fear there would not be enough cigarettes to go around.

New Fighting Reported New Fighting Reported

The official Libyan press agency
Chad said Wednesday that its JANA said that Colonel Gadhafi

urged African Moslems on Thesforces destroyed a Libyan comday to mount a counteroffensive mand post in the northern Tibesti mountains around Zouar, but said against "Franco-American Chrisintensive Libyan bombings were tian imperialism" in Africa, continuing. The Associated Press Agence France-Presse reported Wednesday from Tripoli, Libya.

WORLD BRIEFS

Tuesday's calmer proceedings appeared aimed at convincing the Kabul Says Truce Will Start Today tside world that for the first time ised cease-fire in its seven-year war with Moslem guerrillas was to begin Thursday, the Afghan leader, Major General Najibullah, said in a broadcast over Kabul Radio, monitored here. in Chad's two decades of almost minterrupted civil strife, the fighting pits Chadians not against each fire, to also stop fighting. The Soviet-backed government in Kabul has said the truce would last sox months on condition that it was respected by

ducted in Arabic — apparently for use in radio broadcasts to Libya and in French, the language of

The prisoners showed no visible emotion as Information Minister Mounine Togoi Hamidi addressed them as "dear brothers" and "innocent victims" of Colonel Gadhafi's

The minister said Colonel Gadhafi had turned Libya into a "po-

ed the rule of law and the Geneva conventions governing prisoners of war, and had allowed the Libyans to communicate with their families through the International Commit-

among the prisoners when he pledged all "necessary aid" for the "Libyan army and people," whom he said should rise up and "free" Libya from Colonel Gadhafi's rule. They can count on our aid from

When the minister allowed journalists to ask questions, most of the prisoners brought before the microphone were circumspect, al-

was a "full discussion" of the sover-eignty issue, with Sir Geoffery em-!, One -20-year-old Libyan cap-tured at Fada, asked what be thought of Libya's presence in Chad, said: "I was drafted. I car-. ried out orders."

cooperation between Spain and Gi-braltar, in such fields as tourism, A bearded prisoner rattled off



Francisco Ordónez

sport and public health and educa-tion, the Foreign Office said. Islam Threat Is Potential, Ozal Asserts

ANKARA — Prime Minister Turgut Ozal said Wednesday that slamic fundamentalism posed potential dangers to Turkey, but be

said the threat was not immediate Mr. Ozal denied that be had a difference of opinion on the subject with President Kenan Evren, who called on the nation last week to unite against the threat of religious

"There is a potential danger of religious fundamentalism in Tur-key," Mr. Ozal said at a press conference, "but it does not appear as a

threat today." A major public debate has taken place in Turkey since early this month, when university officials banned female students from covering their heads with turbans or scarves in accordance with Islamic

Students have staged hunger strikes and other protests and hun-dreds of people have sent telegrams to national leaders demanding that the ban be lifted.

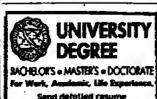
Press reports on the controversy have contrasted Mr. Evren's tough stand with the lack of a clear posiion from Mr. Ozal.

"Presenting this as a fight be-tween Evren and myself will bring good to nobody but will harm the country," Mr. Ozal said. "Turkey is a country which is progressing," he said. "Religious fundamentalism means going back. There is no chance of Turkey ever

going back."

Almost all the Turkish people are Moslems, but the country's section of religion from state institu-tions, including universities.

Both Mr. Ozal and Mr. Evren's spokesman denied reports in two newspapers that senior generals had submitted a letter to the president expressing unease about religious activities and complaining of infiltration of the armed forces by



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Firebomb on Colombian Bus Kills 15

BARRANQUILLA, Colombia (AP) — A firebomb in the rear of a crowded bus killed at least 15 passengers and wounded 10, police reported Wednesday.

Two other buses were set on fire Tuesday in this northern port city on the Atlantic coast, but police said there were no casualties. Officials said: no individual or group claimed responsibility for the attacks, but they suspected leftist guerrillas.

Buses are believed to be targets of attacks because of a 22 percent;

increase in fares ordered by the government.

South African Papers Challenge Curbs

JOHANNESBURG (AFP) — South Africa's two largest Englishlanguage press groups brought a joint court application on Wednesday,
challenging the latest government curbs on reports concerning hanned
organizations such as the African National Congress. The urgent application was made by the Argus group and South.

African Associated Newspapers, both of which publish major daily newspapers. The new restrictions forbid publication of "anything calc" lated to improve or to promote the public image or esteem" of any unlawful organization. They were imposed Friday by the police underly powers conferred on them when a state of emergency was declared seven

For the Record

The French cabinet approved draft legislation Wednesday on Channel Tunnel project. The 50 billion francs (about \$8 billion) negto finance construction of the twin rail tunnels between England France will be raised by public shares to be offered this year.

A.U.S. envoy, Richard W. Murphy, returned to Israel on Wedness talks on peace prospects in the Middle East. Mr. Murphy, assecteday of state for Near Eastern and South Asian affairs, is mission to the region that began last week.



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Law on Pregnancy Leave Upheld in U.S. Army Minister 'Bell Jar' Movie Prompts Suit

Washington Port Service
WASHINGTON — The Su-

preme Court has upheld a state law requiring employers to provide unpaid pregnancy leave to employees.
The 6-3 decision Tuesday upheld a California law similar to statutes in eight other states. The California law requires employers to give fe-male workers an unpaid pregnancy disability leave of up to four months and guarantees that their

Lawyers on both sides said the decision in the case, which was be-ing closely watched by business, labor and civil rights groups, was certain to encourage efforts in other states to pass similar laws.

jobs will be available when they

The court, in an opinion by Jus-tice Thurgood Marshall, rejected arguments by business groups and the Reagan administration that the California law violated the 1978 Pregnancy Disability Act. The 1978 law says pregnant workers must be treated the same as, but not better than, workers with other

The Supreme Court agreed with a lower court decision that Congress did not intend the 1978 act to limit the benefits for pregnant women. It was, Justice Marshall wrote, only to be "a floor beneath which pregnancy disability benefits may not drop—not a ceiling above which they may not rise."

The court's action concerned only periods in a pregnancy when a woman is physically unable to work and disability insurance would apply, as it does in cases of

The case, California Federal Savings and Loan Association vs. Guerra, involved Lillian Garland, a receptionist at the Los Angelesbased savings and loan company who lost her job after taking three months' pregnancy leave. State officials charged the bank with violating the state law and the bank sucd to have the law overturned.

In San Francisco, Mrs. Garland's attorneys hailed the decision as "a landmark in establishing equal opportunity in the workplace." At a news conference Tues-

By Alan Riding

New York Times Service

recently headed Colombia's anti-

drug campaign marks an apparent extension of the country's drug war

Officials Say

NEW YORK - The Mafia in

the United States has been hurt but

not crippled by the long prison sen-

tences imposed on eight of its top leaders, law enforcement officials

Among those receiving 100-year

scatences Tuesday were three men

convicted as the bosses of major

organized crime families: Anthony

Salerno, 76, of the Genovese fam-

ily; Anthony Corallo, 73, of the

other persons to 100 years each for

board of directors called "the Com-

extertion.
"I can't say it's the end of the Commission," U.S. Attorney Rudolph Giuliani said Tuesday. "But it makes it much more difficult to

operate that kind of an operation."

eligible for parole after 10 years, he said, and under federal law would

have to be released after serving

two-thirds of his sentence.

Ronald Goldstock, head of the

New York State Organized Crime

"a devastating day for the mob." However, he added, "business con-

Task Force, called the sentencings

Each those sentenced would be

sentenced to 40 years.

mission." An eighth defendant was drug operators.

atto Eastern Europe.

BOGOTA - The wounding of a former justice minister who until



Lillian Garland, whose lawsuit resulted in the Supreme Court decision on pregnancy leave. facing a picture of her daughter at her new job at a real estate company in Los Angeles.

day afternoon, Patricia Shiu, an attorney for the Employment Law Center, said the ruling meant that women can now be free to have children without confronting the risk of job loss and economic hard-

Paula Connelly, an attorney for the U.S. Chamber of Commerce, said the chamber was "disappointed and surprised by the decision.

"The way it is phrased," she said, it seems to leave no limit on what the states can do in terms of favorable treatment. Preferential leave and reinstatement and even paid leave would be possible" under the

The ruling "gives a signal to states to enact preferential pregncy-benefit laws," she said, and "I can't see them not doing so," given the increasing number of women of child-bearing age in the

be beyond the reach of Colombian

narcotics traffickers who had repeatedly threatened his life.

The Foreign Ministry here said Mr. Parejo, a lawyer, was shot five

times by an unidentified gumman as he left his home in Budapest on Tuesday morning. The assassing

to confirm a dramatic new escala-tion in Colombia's drug war.

office of Agence France-Presse said it received a call from a so-called Hernan Botero Moreno Command,

which claimed to have shot "the

traitor Parcio" on behalf of those

whose extradition is being sought

Only last month, President Vir-

gilio Barco Vargas ordered a new

who was the publisher of El Espec-

newspaper, and a strong critic of

Since then, the authorities said

quested by the United States. None of the half-dozen biggest traffickers

As the Colombian authorities have increased their pressure on the cocaine underworld, however,

drug-related violence has in-

creased, with about 30 judges, 20 journalists and numerous police-

men all killed in the aftermath of the killing of Justice Minister Ro-

But on two occasions, leading

traffickers also offered to repatri-

ate several billion dollars to help

pay off the country's foreign debt if

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On Tuesday afternoon, the local

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first asked him in Spanish whether he was Colombia's ambassador. He was reported in satisfactory condition Wednesday.

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Lucchese group; and Carmine Persico, 53, of the Colombo group.

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District Court also scatteneed four

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The defendants were convicted Nov. 19 of conducting the affairs of the Commission in a racketeering pattern that included murders, loss-sharking, labor payoffs and suspects, including three who are on a list of 113 reported traffickers whose extradition has been re-

Justice Marshall was joined by Herald Tribune reported from Par-Justices William J. Brennan Jr., Harry A. Blackmun, Sandra Day O'Connor and, for the most part, John Paul Stevens. Justice Antonin Scalia concurred in the roling but did not sign the opinion.

Justice Byron R. White, in dis-sent with Chief Justice William H. Rehaquist and Justice Lewis F. Powell Jr., said the California law was "in square conflict" with the federal law because it required "every employer to have a disabilityeave policy for pregnancy even if it has none for any other disability." Such preferential treatment, the dissenters said, was "contrary to the mandate" of the federal law.

■ Benefits in Europe Although the pregnancy benefits eranted by the law upheld Tuesday

When the government of Presi- all extradition requests.

In countries belonging to the European Community, all working women are entitled to some paid leave during pregnancy and mater-

In France, women are entitled to 16 weeks off with pay, in Belgium 22 weeks, and in Denmark 24 weeks. The women receive incomes varying from 60 percent to 90 per-cent of their salaries. In Greece, women receive 50 percent of their income for 12 weeks. But in West Germany, women receive a full salary for 14 weeks off, and in Italy women are entitled to five months

her previous position is guaranteed are generous by U.S. standards, far for up to two years in several coungreater benefits are common in tries, including France, Britain and Western Europe, the International some Scandinavian nations.

Colombian Envoy Shot in Budapest Is Drug Foe The official, Enrique Parejo the government would renounce dent Belisario Betancur refused to González, 56, now the ambassador Colombia's 1979 Extradition Trea-revoke the treaty, the traffickers

In Brazil **Denies Coup** Speculation

By Juan de Onis

RIO DE JANEIRO - General Leonidas Pires Gonçalves, Brazil's army minister, has denied speculation that there might be a military coup, after a meeting with President José Sarney in Brasilia.

Governor Leonel Brizola of Rio de Janeiro state, a leftist opponent of Mr. Sarney, predicted Monday in a newspaper interview that the rapid rise in inflation following the relaxation of price controls in No-vember would lead to dissatisfaction both in the labor unions and among businessmen.

"Samey's government has lost national confidence," said Mr. Brizola. There is danger of a military

However, General Pires said Monday, after meeting with Mr. Sarney, that Mr. Brizola was a

"poor analyst."

He added: "If Governor Brizola thinks there is a possibility of a coup, he does not know the resitty of the Brazilian Army."

Mr. Brizola, the leader of the socialist Brazilian Democratic Worker Party, has presidential ambitions and has been promoting a national campaign to shorten Mr.

Sarney's term. However, his handpicked candidate to succeed him as governor of Rio de Janeiro was defeated in elections in November.

Mr. Brizola has urged that a con-stituent assembly, which is to begin work next month, advance the date scheduled for 1989.

On Wednesday, the 22 Brazilian state governors who are members off at full pay, with a further right of the Brazilian Democratic Moveto work part-time for a year after, ment, the main party in Mr. Saragain at full pay.

A new mother's right to return to

ment, met in Brasilia with Mr. ment, met in Brasilia with Mr. Samey and Finance Minister Dil-

Mr. Sarney wants the governors to endorse economic measures to contain an mosurge of inflation. Prices rose more than 7 percent in December and threaten a further increase of up to 15 percent this

Interest rates, in anticipation of the higher inflation, have soured to to Hungary, had been assigned to the diplomatic post in August in the diplomatic post in August in the apparent belief that he would sent for trial there.

The diplomatic post in August in which 13 Colombians have been and offers of bribes on the country's Sopreme Court, which reviews al rates of 500 percent if the trend is

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Psychiatrist Objects to Being Portrayed as Homosexual

By Marthew L. Wald New York Times Service

BOSTON - A Boston psychiatrist who says she is the basis for a character in Sylvia Plath's novel "The Bell Jar." has filed a lawsuit contending defamation, invasion of privacy and intentional infliction of emotional damage, growing out of a 1979 film version of the

be heard in U.S. District Court here later this week, sets the stage for a major test between the rights of artists to express themselves and the right of individuals to privacy. As such, the case may establish a precedent of unusual importance. The psychiatrist, Dr. Jane V. An-

derson, contends in her suit that she is the basis for Joan Gilling, a character in the novel and movie Dr. Anderson's attorney said she did not object to the representation of the character in Miss Plath's novel, but based her suit on a scene from the movie involving homosexual advances on the part of the Gilling character.

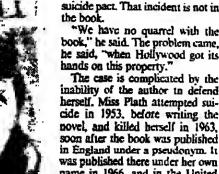
Defense attorneys say that although the povel is semi-autobiographical, the Gilling character is fictional. If the suit succeeds, according to Victor Kovner, one of the defense attorneys, "It would limit the traditional freedom to create fictional characters based upon the life experience of the author.

"We're dealing with what we be-lieve is one of the great works of contemporary American literature. a true work of art, the serious exploration of a woman's attempt to deal with mental illness," Mr. Kovner added. "It moved hundreds of thousands of readers in this country, if not millions." Harry L. Manion 3d, the attor-

ury selection was to begin Wednesday, that the problem was carclessness" by movie producers.

Defendants in the suit include Ted Hughes, the English poet lau-reate, who, as Miss Plath's husband and administrator of her estate. sold the motion-picture rights, and

several companies involved in producing and distributing the film. Dr. Anderson is an assistant clin-



Sylvia Plath

ical professor of psychiatry at Harvard Medical School.

Other defendants are the AVCO Embassy Pietures Corp., which produced a television movie based on the book; CBS Inc. which broadcast it twice; Time-Life Films inc., the owner of Home Box Office, which showed it nine times; and Vestron Incorporated, which has made the movie available for home rental on video cassette, according to the plaintiff.

Lawyers on both sides of the case agree that Dr. Anderson's real-life relationship to Miss Plath is reproduced in several ways in the relationship between Joan Gilling and the book's central character, Esther

In real life, Dr. Anderson was a year ahead of Miss Plath at Smith College in Massachusetts and at ney for Dr. Anderson, said he different times each dated the same would argue in the trial, for which man. Later they were patients at the same psychiatric hospital. The same relationship bolds for Esther Greenwood and Joan Gilling in the

> Mr. Manion said a major part of the case was a suggestion of homosexual tendencies made strongly in the movie, including an attempt by the Gilling character to lure the Greenwood character into a lovers'

suicide pact. That incident is not in the book. "We have no quarrel with the book," he said. The problem came, he said, "when Hollywood got its

hands on this property." The case is complicated by the inability of the author to defend herself. Miss Plath attempted suicide in 1953, before writing the novel, and killed herself in 1963. soon after the book was published in England under a pseudonym. It

name in 1966, and in the United States in 1971. A film with the same title was shown in movie theaters beginning in 1979, and a less graphic version with milder language, shot at the same time, was shown twice on CBS and nine times on HBO, and is now being distributed on video cas-

sette by Vestron, the plaintiff said. According to Mr. Manion, Dr. Anderson is identified by name as the model for the Gilling character in two biographies of Miss Plath published in the 1970s. Mr. Manion also contends that one of the producers said he had a copy of one of the books, "Sylvia Plath, Method and Madness" by Edward Butscher, published in 1976 by Sea-

bury Press. They either knew or could easily have found out that Dr. Anderson was the basis of Joan Gilling."

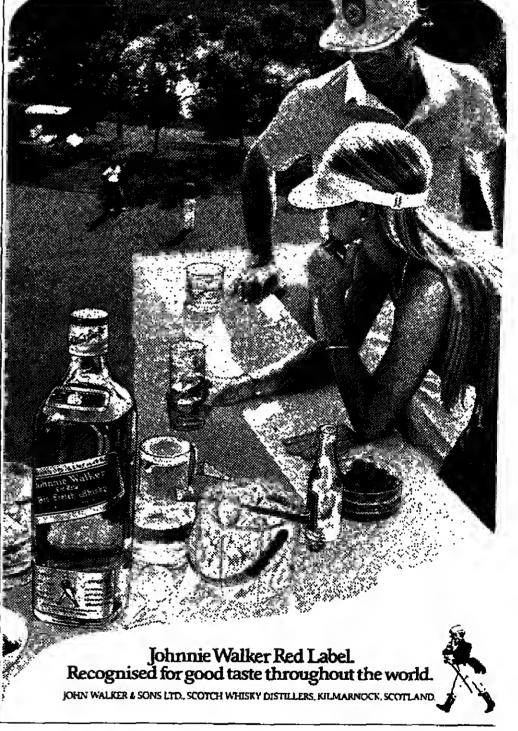
Bess Myerson Steps Down As N.Y. Cultural Aide United Press Insern

NEW YORK - Bess Myerson will take a leave of absence "for nn longer than 90 days" as cultural affairs commissioner of New York while the city examines her refusal to testify before a grand jury investigating ber companion.

Miss Myerson, 62, who Miss

America in 1945, invoked her Fifth Amendment right against self-incrimination when she was called to testify in December before a federal grand jury that is investigating her companion, Carl Capasso, Mr. Capasso is a contractor who does millions of dollars worth of busi-

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Now Iran Attacks Again

swamps and deserts along the rim of the Gulf, and the fighting has picked up again between Iran and Iraq. The Iraqis are far better armed, and their superior air power has succeeded in holding Iran's oil exports down to half the level of a year ago. But Iran has more infantrymen. Its population is larger by a ratio of nearly three to one, and that defines the deadlock that has prevailed since shortly after the war began thore than six years ago.

The Iraqis are on the defensive, behind

an extremely heavily armed line of fortifications. Iran has the initiative, constantly probing throwing its foot soldiers against the enemy's lines with tactics and losses reminiscent of World War I. The Iranians have now pushed a little farther into Iraq near Basra. If they can hold their gain, it would be a significant show of strength, although not a crucial victory. If they cannot, they will try again somewhere else.

This war is the reality at the center of the Iran arms scandal in Washington. The Reagan administration says it sold Iran too little to have a significant effect on the outcome. But apparently the Iranian government thought otherwise, for it spent a

good deal from its dwindling reserves to huy the American weapons and parts. Its aircraft seem to have been much more in evidence this winter than for quite a long time — reportedly including some of the F-4s that the United States sold the shah in the 1970s. Either the Iranians had been hoarding them for this moment or, perhaps more likely, they have managed to acquire some of the replacement parts they no

Nothing that has happened so far in this latest surge of fighting suggests that the deadlock is about to be broken. But if at some point it should break, the consequences would reach a long way. It is not only a war between different definitions of Islam, with the militantly anti-modern position represented by Iran. It is also a war for begemony in the Gulf region, which has most of the world's known oil reserves. The master of that region sets the world's price.
The rest of the world has the strongest kind of interest in bringing this war to a negotiated end with no clear winner, but no one has found a way to do it. With the arms sales Washington has given a measure of material and, inadvertently, political support to Iran. Now Iran is pressing its attack again. -THE WASHINGTON POST.

Telling China to China

Dismissals and denunciations of writers, university figures and others associated with the democracy protests in China are being reported in the official press, and the assumption is that reprimands with crush-ing effects on career prospects are going quietly into the files of student protesters. These are among the mean and vindictive ways a totalitarian government can control dissent without getting into the heavy-handed stuff that fires up people and looks bad abroad. The protesters themselves, in the nationwide demonstrations seen in the last six weeks, seem not only exceptionally brave but also determinedly orderly and even modest in their demands. A government with confidence in itself would not be

harassing and punishing them as it is. From all appearances, the protests arise from an appetite for democracy whetted by Deng Xiaoping's reformist program and by the word brought back home by the thousands of Chinese who have been studying overseas. Youthful idealism and the hardships of student life no doubt also play a role. In China, however, there is an old tradition of politicians' manipulation of protests staged by the students. Perhaps Mr. Deng figured the marches would generate demand for the changes by which he apparently hopes to break his dogmatic

opposition's still strong grip on the eco-nomic bureaucracy. But it could also be that the opposition means to use the pro-tests to discredit reform. These things go on behind a veil, but they do go on. Student demands for a broader role in local elections, for a more open press and even for Western-style freedoms are important in their own right and as moves in a continuing and portentous political struggle.

In the United States, the general tendency to cheer for dissent in police states is tempered in some quarters by awareness that China is in certain respects a friend and strategic partner and that it has at least been inching toward a free market and experimenting with a degree of political openness. Still, nothing that American officials say about China is nearly as important as what the U.S. government's radio says to China. The Voice of America, by doing what it was already doing, offers its millions of Chinese listeners an alternative to the official press's report on events in China. For doing this job the Voice of America has come under some criticism in Beijing, but it seems to be giving the available news straight and, in that vital way, making a major and appropriate contribution to China's uncertain democratic passage.

-THE WASHINGTON POST.

'A Mistaken Friend'

New York's Cardinal John O'Connor is that its dignitaries not vis scarcely the first eminence to stumble over the loaded arguments in every visitor's path to the Middle East. He was obviously innocent of the ambivalence in his church's diplomacy concerning Israel. But the criticism flung at him by Jewish organizations in New York is overwrought — especially since Israel invited him at the urging of the very Jewish leaders now unhappy with an outcome that might have been predicted.

In a curious statement, the Jewish groups somehow fault the cardinal because the Holy See refuses to come to terms "with the reality of a unified Jerusalem as the capital of Israel." But the United States, along with most of the world's nations, also refuses de jure recognition of Jerusalem as capital. It is as if his critics wanted Cardinal O'Connor to be holier than the pope, as well as the State Department, on the vexed question of Israel's 1967 annexation of East Jerusalem. And if the cardinal's views on

Palestinian rights do not square exactly

with those of many Israelis, so what? Granted, the Holy See absurdly insists

their Jerusalem offices. Granted, too, that Pope Pius XII was shamefully silent about Nazi Germany's crimes against Jews and non-lews; and that only tardily did the Catholic Church begin contending actively against anti-Semitism. It is also true, as the Jewish leaders' critical statement acknowledges, that Cardinal O'Connor "has shown himself to be a strong voice against anti-Semitism." How unfortunate that these kind words were lost in the rush to get out a hostile statement before the cardinal had claimed his baggage at Kennedy Airport. So unseemly was the haste that a partial apology was offered by the mobilizer of the protest, Morris B. Abram.

The wisest words in this sorry affair may they also be the last ones - are those of Nathan Perimutter, whose Anti-Defamation League withdrew its support of the statement. "We feel on some of these questions the cardinal is a mistaken friend but not an adversary," he said. "ft's better to talk to than at him."

- THE NEW YORK TIMES.

Other Comment

Don't Press Japan to Rearm

All considered, Japan's reluctance to build military power commensurate with its economic strength is a good thing.

The Soviet military threat to Japan has grown in recent years. The Soviet Union now deploys 41 divisions east of Lake Baikal. It has more than 160 SS-20 nuclear missiles aimed at Asian targets; 2,400 combut aircraft, including 85 long-range bomb-ers, and a large Pacific fleet. Under prodding from the United States.

which is overextended in the Pacific area, Japanese military spending has been going up. Mr. Nakasone has gone far beyond his predecessors in frankly recognizing Japan's responsibility to build military forces capable of repelling a limited Soviet attack - or holding off a major Soviet thrust until U.S. military power could be brought to bear. Even if the five-year defense plan is fully

implemented, Japanese military spending will climb to only 1.4 percent of GNP by 1991, and Japan will still be incapable of defending against a non-nuclear Soviet attack without massive American help.

It would be unwise, however, to press for a major acceleration of Japanese rearmament as some kind of substitute for satisfactory adjustment of trade and investment

issues. No amount of U.S. pressure could produce a timely Japanese consensus in favor of a major rearmament program; although Japanese public opinion is slowly changing, anti-militarist sentiments are still deeply rooted. Equally important, other nations in East Asia, with unpleasant memo-ries of Japanese occupation in World War II, do not want to see a major resurgence of Japanese military power. And, as some Japanese point out, Americans cannot be sure that a serious rearmament program, once under way, would stay within bounds that the United States itself would like.

The greatest contributions that the Japanese could make to peace and security in East Asia are a major expansion of economic aid — true aid — and adjustment of Japanese trading practices to give other Asian nations, as well as the United States, a fair shot at the Japanese market.

If the U.S. economy continues to wallow along with enormous trade deficits, it will not be able to afford Pacific military forces of the sort necessary to cope with growing Soviet military power. The most helpful thing that the Japanese can do is to accelerate the implementation of economic reform plans that would make Japan a more constructive partner in world trade.

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Syria and Israel: Too Near the Brink of a New War



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J ERUSALEM — While in the past year the Iran-Iraq war continued to dominate the Middle East scene, 1987 may see the emer-gence of another regional epicenter, the long-simmering Syrian-Israeli conflict.

The intensity of confrontation between Syria and Israel depends on the actions of

those two countries and, no less, on the omissions and deeds of their superpower allies. Soviet and American indifference to innova-Soviet and American mainterence to innova-tions in regional warfare — Iraq's use of poison gas, Iran's launching of missiles against urban populations — affects military thinking and planning in Syria and Israel, For several years the Syrian army has been

equipped with short-range Soviet surface-to-surface missiles. The Soviet Union has also supplied Syria with longer-range and more accurate later models capable of hitting the main urban centers of Israel. Reliable sources report that Syria has acquired a chemical warfare capability and is adapting missile warheads for poison gas.

Flash points on both sides are abundant: imprudent Syrian troop movements, interference with Israeli aerial surveillance of Lebanon, losses incurred by Syrian-sponsored terrorist activity in the security zone protecting Israel's northern border, terrorist actions like the attempt planned by Syria to blow up an El Al plane. Actions such as these could trigger another Arab-Israeli war of hitherto unknown dimensions and consequences.

An immense threat has been created by the

addition of medium-range missiles and chemical weapons to Syria's arsenal, to be used when it has attained "strategic parity" with Israel. This is likely not to deter war but to precipitate it. Israel can no longer dismiss as idle bluster President Halez al-Assad's stateBy Gideon Rafael

ment of last Feb. 27 that "history will record how the Golan became the apex of the bolocanst for the Israelis."

On the contrary, the threat to inflict a new holocaust on a people risen out of the ashes of the Nazi firestorm and to confront the survivors of the gas chambers with the menace of poison gas catches the emotions of all Israelis

The next war might degenerate into a contest between chemical and radiation weapons - with global implications.

and forges a determination to respond with all means at their disposal.

The cry of the googed Samson, "I shall die with the Philistines," is deeply embedded in the historical memory of the Jewish people. It could mean that the next war between Syria and Israel would degenerate into a contest between chemical and radiation weapons -

with global implications.

In the past, Soviet military and political involvement in Syria and American commitment to Israel have prompted the great powers to stand by their allies and at the same time be wary of being dragged by them into a situation of dangerous confrontation. In every major Arab-Israeli conflagration, the two powers have watched the battle attentively and then intervened jointly and decisively to stop it. Each war ended with a cease-fire of the United Nations Security Council imposed by superpower consensus.

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But acquisition of arms capable of mass destruction, the heightened combat readiness of masses of troops, the deepening distruit and Israel's narrow margin of security may touch off a conflict of a ferocity that even a fast-moving U.S.-Soviet fire brigade would be powerless to control. Routine practices of crisis management have become obsolete.

The risks must be confronted well in advance : The most logical way would be for the two warring states to adopt their own risk-reducing measures. But with there being no pros-pect of rational discourse between Syria and Israel, only the United States and the Sovice Union acting together can head off conflict.

The two powers have lost much valuable time. They must engage without further delay in discussions to restrain Syria from acts of provocation and aggressive preparation that could trigger retributive or pre-emptive Israe-ii action. Both sides must be made aware that the two superpowers will not tolerate another war or, in any circumstances, the crossing of the threshold of conventional warfare.

Once the two contenders become convinced of the determination of Washington and Moscow jointly to confront an offender, they will realize that war is not inevitable but that peace is indispensable. Israel reached that conclusion long ago and is waiting for its adversaries to follow suit.

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Iran and Iraq: If True, Tehran's Claims Should Set Off Alarms

WASHINGTON - Two tentative conclusions can be drawn from recent reports of an Iranian offensive in southern Irsq. The first is that this is the largest Iranian operation in 11 months. The second is that if Iran's tales of success, especially the claim to have severed the links between the Iraqi 3d Corps and the 7th Corps to the south, are true or even close to the truth, an alarm should be sounding in every capital in the Middle East.

A triumphant Iran, eager to spread Shiite domination, would be a far greater danger to the area's stability than a victorious but exhausted Iraq. One of the mysteries of the Israeli role in shipping U.S. arms to Iran is why the shipments were ever countenanced by the Israeli high command.

Israeli army and air force officers are openly concerned by the prospects of an Iranian victory. "Iraq is dangerous enough," a high-ranking general said, "but a conquered Iraq with those crazzes from Tehran in control could lead to a new explosion involving this country."

Most reports about the fighting should be heavily discounted. The communiques and situation reports remind one of Damon Runyon's description of "Alice in Wonderland" as nothing but a pack of lies, but very interesting in spots." One of the interesting spots is the Iranian claim to have reached the water defenses of Basra. If true, this is the deepest penetration Iran has made in what is evidently an attempt to By Drew Middleton

take Iraq's second city. The man-made lake was intended to protect the city from attacks from the east. The situation for Iraq is even worse if the Iranian claim to

have cut communications between the 3d Corps and the 7th Corps is accurate. If true, the 3d Corps, which has done most of the recent fighting, is isolated and the 7th Corps will have to mount a heavy attack to restore communications.

Thus far the fighting appears to have followed a familiar pattern. The Iranians attacked in great strength. One intelli-

gence report estimates that close to 100,000 men were involved in the initial onslaught. But there are two variations from the usual pattern. The Iranians for the first time in more than a year were supported by both fighter aircraft and helicopter gunships, and their anti-aircraft weapons, if the claims are true, were far more effective than in the past.

The Iraqi response also seems to have followed a familiar pattern: heavy bombardment by field gnns and mortars and at least some bombing by the air force. The consensus at NATO headquarters in Brussels is that Iran, despite heavy Iraqi fire, managed to make some headway last Thursday and Friday. If Basra's fall is an evident danger, the Iraqi high command faces a serious problem. Iranian manpower is greater than

sustain heavy casualties than the Iraqis.

Republic of Iraq to challenge the authority of Saddam Hus-sein in Baghdad. A political challenge of that sort would provide a rallying point for Iraq's Shiites and their Gulf allies. If the Iraqis hold, and restore the situation, the war will simmer through the winter and come to a boil in the spring. If Iran's claims are accurate, the Middle East and particularly the Gulf region face a tough year.

Iraq's, and the transfer of Iraqi reserves from areas to the east of Baghdad might invite fresh Iranian attacks in those areas. At this point, intelligence analysts are reluctant to give any

casualty estimates beyond the routine presumption that the Iranians, as the attackers, probably suffered heavily in the

initial phases of the operation. It remains a fact of the Gulf

war, however, that the Iranians have been far more able to

Is this the "final offensive" the tranians have been promis-

ing for the past 15 months? It appears doubtful. Rather, this

appears to be a preliminary operation to that offensive, one

will have to mop up the Iraqi 7th Corps to the south and then regroup for a final push on Baghdad. Some analysts believe that one of the first consequences of

the victory would be the establishment in Basra of an Islamic

dad after taking the former. Once that is done, the Iran

signed to cut the communications between Basra and Bagh-

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This Year's Trade Bill Could Be More Sensible Than Expected

WASHINGTON — This will be the year when a Democratic Congress passes, and Republican Ronald Reagan will sign, a trade bill. How restrictive such a trade law will be remains to be seen. In this political town, the basic assumption is that inasumch as 1987 is not an election year, the Democrats in charge of Congress will not find it necessary to be as blatantly protectionist as they

tried to be last year. After refusing to send up a trade bill of his own in 1986, Mr. Reagan and his political advisers have decided that it will be prudent to do so this year, in an effort, as one of these wid privately, "to signal the parameters that are acceptable."

To put it more bluntly, the Reagan administration has been forced to pursue a course of damage limitation. As part of that strategy, the presi-

C AMBRIDGE, Massachusetts — No issue summons more biparti-

san support in America, none elicits

more unanimous conviction than the extra competitive again," says the new speaker of the House.

"Competitiveness" has become a great national Rorschach test. I' is an

ak blot in which Americans discern their highest hopes and worst fears.

Who can be against it? The country

not only in its businesses but also in

its cherished pastimes; sports, poli-

tics and lawsuits. The idea that

America is no longer competitive in world markets has caused a collective

slow burn, and everyone seems ready

to do something about it. But do what? When it comes to

solutions there is no common ground

because the ink blot means different

things to different people. Listen carefully and you hear four distinct

· We're living too high on the

hog." This is the version touted by big

business. Here the problem is that

Americans consume too much and

save and invest too little. The answer:

Cut wages; lower the minimum wage;

and mostly incompatible versions:

has always thrived on competition -

dent's State of the Union message will tout a bundle of trade-promotion measures lumped under the banner of increasing "competitiveness." This will be a reprocessing of Mr. Reagan's largely forgotten East Room speech on trade on Sept. 23, 1985, that followed the Sept. 22, 1985, decision by San leading industrial consion by five leading industrial countries to push the dollar down.

"They blew it last year," says Do-reen Brown of Consumers for World Trade. She meant that if the administration had made reasonable proposals to improve existing lame it undit more easily have deflected bysterical efforts like the textile quota bill that passed and almost beat a veto, or the effort by Representative Richard Gephardt, the Missouri Democrat, to slap import surcharges on countries

budget deficit, but not by paring de-

ment transfer payments (read "welfare") and waste (read "welfare");

tax consumption rather than savings by shifting to a value added tax.

and big government." This is the pop-

ulist version advanced by an assort-

ment of anti-establishment figures

ranging from Jack Kemp to Ralph

Nader, and even recently by Secre-tary of Commerce Malcolm Bal-dridge and Deputy Secretary of the Treasury Richard Darman. Here the

problem is that Americans' entrepre-

neurial energies are being sapped by large, gangling, inefficient bureaucra-cies, both private and public. The

answer: Shrink the federal govern-

ment and rely on local and state ini-

tiative; bust up giant corporations by

takeovers or antitrust enforcement;

rev up venture capitalists by cutting

taxes on capital gains; trash business schools and celebrate small business-

"We're being exploited by for-eigners who don't play fair." This is

es and attic entrepreneurs.

"We're victimized by big business

with big surpluses. Miss Brown and other advocates of open trade doubt that trade legislation can do much, if anything to alter the \$170 billion U.S. trade deficit. Nonetheless, the political consensus in both parties calls for "action." And the Democrats, having won both houses of Cougress, have made passage of a trade bill their first priority.

By Hohart Rowen

By Robert B. Reich

Senator Lloyd Bentsen, the Texas Democrat who chairs the Finance Committee, kicked off a set of hearings on Tuesday designed to "develof American trade policy." He has already indicated that Mr. Gephardt's quota proposal — which he and Representative Dan Rostenkowski endorsed in a 1986 bill that passed

exports to America. The answer. Don't allow them to sell their wares

in the United States until they start

playing fair; make them reduce their trade surpluses; erect tariffs and quo-tes against them; require that a cer-

tain percentage of all products sold in

America be made in America.

*We're not strategic enough."

This is the mercantilist version, ad-

vanced by America's dominant high-

tech companies. Here the problem is that the United States does not have its act sufficiently together to coun-

teract the Japanese. The answer: Re-

lax the antitrust laws so that Ameri-

can companies in the same industry can join forces; provide them with export subsidies, research grants,

government contracts; turn universi-ties in the United States into engi-

neering and technology centers for

American corporations; and upgrade primary, secondary and vocational

education to supply corporations with a steady stream of bright and

version is best if you don't mind get-

ting much poorer. The populist version is best if you yearn for the ro-mance of the small-town America of

the early 19th century. You should

choose the xenophobic version if you

are willing to impoverish the rest of

the world while imposing buge costs

on American consumers. The mer-

cantilist version beats the rest as long

as it is all right to sacrifice all other

Chances are, you won't be called on to decide among these four con-trasting visions. Whatever policies ul-

timately emerge during the next year

for making America compenitive will

be a compromise between them, re-

flecting a bit of each. The resulting hodgepodge will be duly celebrated

American values to getting rich.

Mr. Bentsen says his aim instead is to promote an expansion of world trade. The Democrats are wise to pursue a more statesmanlike line: Not only is this a nonelection year requiring

less demagoguery, but last year any success they might have had in passing a protectionist bill would have needed the approval of a Republican Senate. So damage could have been blamed equally on the Republicans. "Now," says a White House official, it's all on their heads." On the other hand, the Reagan

administration, in doing its best to show how "tough" it can be on trade issues while still the land to be the fast of the true believers in free trade, is playing a risky game in its long-standing fight with the European Community over the latter's protec-

tionist agricultural policy. The administration and the Euro-

Spain's triffe on \$400 million worth of corn and sorghum. That was a result of sharply higher new levies that Spain was required to put into effect when it joined the EC last year. (There is a similar problem with Portral of the problem with Portral of t tugal that will not surface until later.)
When the Community offered compensation that U.S. Trade Representative Clayton Yeutter said was worth only 30 cents on the dollar, Washington retaliated with a boost in tariffs on \$400 million worth of Euro-

peans are in phase one of a nasty

trade war triggered by a boost in

pean food and wine to a prohibitive paring to respond with a punitive list of their own covering U.S. grain. That is where it stands, with both sides growling at each other, pending a "last chance" meeting to find a compromise in Washington on Jan. 23, when Mr. Yeutter and his oppo-

site number from the EC Commis sion. Willy de Clerq, get together. There's a real impasse," says a negotiator on the American side. Our farmers are hurting, so there is a limit to our ability to be flexible. In Europe, the one country that would be hit hardest if we most of our corn sales would be France. And you know the difficulties the French govcrament is in." At the same time, though, European and American of-ficials say privately, in almost identi-cal words, that "the world won't come to an end" if the Jan. 23 dead-

line is passed. "There'll be some blood on the floor before this one is fixed," a European also says, Both sides should be condemned for letting the fight get to this stage. The for tat can break down the whole trading system, and simply add fuel to protectionist fires that can flare

out of control on Capitol Hill. Even when settled, as it surely will be, the American-European flap will leave a bad taste in the month. It hoists a danger signal for the much-advartised new GATT round of trade talks. If GATT's two biggest powers can get into this kind of nonproduc-tive snit, what hope is there for broadening GATT's sway over new

The Washington Post.

No Gimmick Can Clothe the Corpse

OR all my patriotic intentions, I seem fated to buy everyone else's stuff to listen to a Sony Walkman while running, to drive my Mitsubishi to buy a Christmas-gift sweater knit in the Philippines before watching a movie made in Australia on a VCR made in ... Need I say where or by whom?

There are those who predict, rather gloomily, that soon we Americans shall manufacture nothing, indeed, it is a bit like the story that Southerners once grew up on: the Atlanta editor Henry W. Grady's story of the Georgia funeral to which Georgia contributed only "the corpse and the hole in the ground."

All else had been made in Yankeeland and imported on unfavorable trading terms. "There they put him away," intened Grady, "in a New York coat and a Boston pair of shoes and a pair of breeches from Chicago and a shirt from Cincinnati, leaving him nothing ... to remind him of the country in which he lived ... but the chill of blood in his veins and the marrow in his bones."

There are, apparently, two hasic ways to make money in industry: to make a product others crave and can't make, or to make a product others both crave and make, but better and cheaper than they. The alternative has yet to be invented. Congress can probably jimmy tariffs and quotas and regulations a bit. Without attention to the fundamentals, it will be an analgesic at best. The crisis of U.S. trade competitiveness is a multifaceted crisis, involving pay and fringe benefits, living standards, labor and management practices, habits of saving and investment, craftsmanship, design and imagination. All need attention, No single gimmick is going to dress the corpse American.

- Cohumnist Edwin M. Yoder Jr. in The Washington Post.

Compete by Vision and Sacrifice, Not Quick Fixes as a pragmatic solution to the prob-lem. Politicians, corporate executives let the dollar drop more; reduce the the xenophobic version advanced by and the leaders of trade associations some trade unionists, politicians and unions will take credit for at least from the run belt and super petalons of all stripes. Here the problem is that thus found, national attention will other countries are not letting Ameri-can goods in, and are subsidizing pass to other matters.

Through it all, the conflicting values dimly suggested by the ink blot called "competitiveness" will remain obscured, and the underlying questions unanswered. How much present income are Americans prepared to yield for the sake of future wealth? How much stability will they surren-der in the name of dynamism and risk? How much solidarity should be sacrificed to efficiency? And which Americans shall bear the burdens?

The sea of ink spilled on the "competitiveness" issue blots out these un-derlying choices. Don't expect much from policy fixes that fail to engage them. The issue is Americans' vision of the future and what they are prepared to sacrifice now to achieve it.

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products and services?

IN OUR PAGES, 75 AND 50 YEARS AGO

1912: Against Parades NEW YORK - Fifth Avenue busi-

competent technicians.

Whose version is most convincing

— that of big business, populists,
xenophobes or mercantilists? It depends on your values. Big business's
pends on your values. Big business's nessmen are planning a movement which they hope will reduce the number of parades that so frequently give a holiday appearance to the thoroughfare and affect trade. No objection is made to the military displays or other demonstrations, which generally are held on holidays, but merchants cannot see wby organizations which plan processions on business days should be permitted to take pos-session of Fifth Avenue and distract attention from shopkeepers, who pay high rents and seldom derive any benefit from the crowds. W. Edward Brown, secretary of the Fifth Avenue Association, said: "Every parade on ordinary days means crowded streets, blockaded sidewalks and a complete stoppage of business. At our next meeting we will prepare for action."

1937: Anglo-Irish Talks LONDON - A significant event in Anglo-Irish instory took place [on. Jan. 14] when Eamon De Valera, President of the Irish Free State Executive Council, and Malcolm Mac-Donald, Dominious Secretary, got together and began negotiations with a view to settling the political and economic differences which long have estranged England and Ireland. An important meeting was held on relatively neutral territory — Mr. De Valera's hotel room in Beigravia, not parties from Buckingham Palace and Downing Street. It was learned that matters under discussion included the constitutional position between Britain and the Free State, prospects of all all-round understanding between the two countries and a possi-

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When the Shouting Peaks The Dream Will Be Over

By A.M. Rosenthal

have. The kind where you see something bad about to happen, know exactly what will unfold, cry out in warning but know nobody is listening or will hear. When you visit South Africa, you live

in the dream. You know that the repression will get worse. You know the violeace will increase. You know people of good heart, white and black, are crying out and are unheard or silenced. You know that in the end there is only one solution — black government shared by whites — but that all the perfectly possible peaceful steps toward it and beyond are now being eliminated, one by one by one, by the violence of oppression begetting violence of resistance.

And you know that the longer it goes on, the more the likelihood of one tyranny replacing another. You know that the

The idea that tyranny can hide is a fantasy.

Soviet Union and its agents in South Africa are dreaming, too, but not in terror, for their greatest ally toward their goals of domination is the government in Pretoria. The more repressive it is, the more hate is spread, the nearer the goal

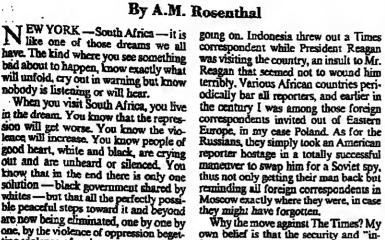
Now Pretoria has taken one more step toward the isolation it believes will protect it but which of course will oot. The irony of the cultural boycotts and dismvestment movements is that while they are valid expressions of foreign opposition, they are welcomed by the hardest-line South Africans in the government, who see Western influence, American

particularly, as the real enemy.

This latest step was the decision to close down reporting by New York Times correspondents in South Africa. The government ordered Alan Cowell, the Times correspondent there, who was approaching the end of his tour, to leave the country, and refused to permit Serge Schmemann, the former Moscow bureau chief of The Times, who had been named his successor, to take up his post. It served notice on other American newspapers that their presence also might not be required.

South Africa is not the only country that prefers not to have American correspondents around to witness what is

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formation" specialists in Pretoria had found that while the rigid censorship rules prevented the world from witnessing police violence on television, it had not been able to prevent the world from reading about it. The fact is that even abiding by the letter of censorship, an intelligent, skilled and experienced cor-respondent like Mr. Cowell was able to give the full flavor and a lot of the details about what was taking place in South Africa. We know that, the reader knows it, the South Africans know it.

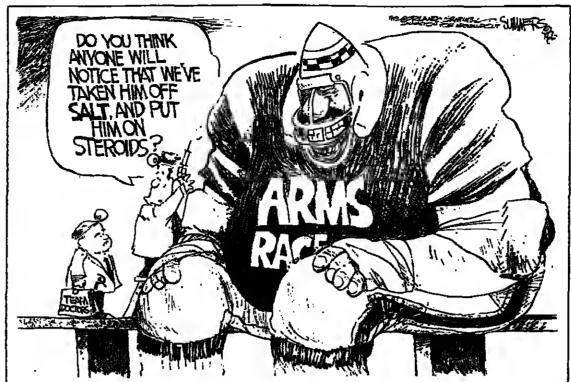
For me it was again the dream, but with a different and more ominous twist. Ten months ago Mr. Cowell was told that be had to get out in a week. I was and flew to South Africa with my colleague Warren Hoge, now an assistant managing editor, then foreign editor.

We met with Ministry of Interior officials and some pretty vivid things were said. They talked about meddling and distortions and we talked about freedom of the press. Neither side made converts but at the end the top government man present slammed his dossier shut and said that he still did not like Mr. Cowell or The Times, but since I had taken the trouble to fly all that way he could stay. Now the South Africans have so far refused even to see Max Frankel, my successor. While they may relent in the future, they are certainly not codding

and winking in our direction now.

Perhaps they will allow a few American reporters to stay on for a while. But they do seem determined to extend the censorship beyond pictures, beyond the widest possible interpretation of "secu-rity" information, and to blank out the Cowells and the Schmemanns and thus the minds of American readers.

But the idea that reality can be blanked out, that tyranny can hide and be unknown is a fantasy. It has not worked before and will not work now. They dream, the South Africans, and by the time they are shouted into wakefulness it may simply be too late.



LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Before Kurt Vonnegut brackets Pothem in his garage and sells them to land with Czechoslovakia, be should get West Germany and other Western countries for something like \$1,000 apiece. There are already 1,000 in Poland, and The rock group Lady Pank (read "punk") regularly makes appearances in the West. And if Mr. Vonnegut likes country music, let him tune in on Polish radio. One of its weekly programs is (or was) "The Road to Nashville." Marlboro, the cigarette brand, sponsors an annual country music festival in Poland in August. The latest rock videocassettes from Britain are broadcast at least once a week on television.

Speaking of television, I would say that at least 75 percent of their dramatic programs are of Western origin: "Hill Street Blues," "East of Eden," "The Muppets," Woody Allen's "Manhat-Alan Ayckbourn's "Bedroom Farce," to give but a meager sampling. Ditto for the movies. In the theater, Roman Polanski recently appeared in "Amadeus," and musicals from Broadway now on view include "Fiddler on the Roof" and "My Fair Lady." There have been oumerous productions of Neil Simon's and Harold Pinter's plays, and the Poles produce everything that

Slawomir Mrozek ever wrote. If Mr. Vonnegut arrives at the airport laden with gifts of Playboy and Rambo-Rocky videocassettes, customs will wave him through. Sony and Sanyo videocas-Polish network of dollar shops from one communism. The free world should The New York Times.

Poland Isn't Czechoslovakia end of the country to the other. For satellite television, dish antennas are Regarding "Can't They Even Allow available from a man in Szczecin (his Jazz?" (Dec. 16) by Kurt Vonnegus Jr.: company is called Svensat) who makes

> owning them is perfectly legal, the only hitch being that the owner has to register with the authorities that he owns one. As Flora Lewis wrote in "For Poles, a Trial by Impotence" (Dec. 5), even the Hungarians envy the Poles their mullectual freedom. So I invite Mr. Vonnegut to visit Poland, after which he will never lump it with Czechoslovakia again.

> > MARGARET SZMURAK.

Surgery for Some Radicals

Stephen M. Walt's opinion column. "It's Time to Debunk the American Myth About 'Radical' States" (Dec. 30), cautions American foreign policy makers not to castigate Third World "radical" states and nationalist movements which pose limited threats to fundamental U.S. interests. Mr. Walt states correctly that U.S. hard-line approaches offer Syria and the PLO no alternative but to seek Russian support. However, he fails to point out the difference between nationalist maneuverings that are part of old-fashioned balance of power politics and countries taken over by Marxist-Leninist totalitarianism, such as Nicaragua and Cuba, which form sette recorders can be bought in the part of the spreading cancer of atheistic

band together to perform radical surgery on these communists and return their hapless people to freedom.

JOHN G. McCARTHY Jr. Villars-sur-Ollon, Switzerland.

West Germany in NATO

Considering merely the budget figures is not a good way to evaluate defense contributions. Conscription in West Germany, for instance, produces an essential part of the Western defense capability. I might add — again in response to an opinion column last Nov. 18 by Leonard Sullivan, "Washingtoo Spends Too Much on European Defense" that the West German government has made an unpopular decision to extend the draft. But that does not look very impressive on the budget scale, since conscription is relatively inexpensive. West Germany provides 50 percent of

NATO land forces in Central Europe, 50 percent of ground air defense and 30 percent of combat aircraft. Efforts to strengthen conventional combat power are being made. Leading officials of the Reagan administration recognize this. They know that the European allies do form a credible conventional deterrent. Discussion of burden-sharing problems should also include the question

of how to improve standardization of weapon systems and other equipment by establishing a real trans-Atlantic two-way street. More U.S. willingness to cooperate in this would be welcome. KLAUS FRANCKE

Member of the Defense Committee of the Bundestag. Bonn.

How to Attack Terrorism: The View From Skid Row

By Jeff Dietrich

next to me, an empty green wine bottle clenched io his fist ready to explode into a million shards of glass. His 6-foot-2-inch (1.88-meter) hulk coils and tightens. Great gobs of saliva fly from his mouth as he spits obscenities at me. I am in the grip of sheer terror; adrenaline surges, but it's like a narcotic, reducing my arms and legs to the consistency of overcooked pasta.

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I get a lot out of my work in a Skid Row soup kitchen, but a sense of physical security or peaceful surroundings is

MEANWHILE

not among the pluses. Even on the calmest days the anger, violence and insanity are always there, lying like a mine waiting to go off. But it did occur to me recently that living in this sort of war zone gives one an edge over those who have never dealt with terrorists.

Not that Rod is a terrorist in the political sense. He belongs to no organization, espouses no cause or ideology, has received no formal training or discipline and takes orders from no one. In fact, most of the time be is fairly benign.

But today, for whatever reason - too long a wait in the soup line, no luck in finding a job, a bad night in the alley he has turned violent and I am his target. Ever since the bombing of Libya last spring, we have heard terrorism described as a cancer that can be removed by the military equivalent of radical surgery. This is a simplistic solution that finds its domestic American counterpart in the substitution of prisons and jails for a commitment to jobs, education and

homelessness and oppression. I grew up in a placid suburban com-munity that was the realization of the American dream: secure against poverty and violence, perfect in its serenity. The reality of sufferings on Skid Row shat-ters that placidity like a brick burled through a window, offering a glimpse of the pain endured by most of the world.

housing for all. The real cause of terror-

ism, both domestic and foreign, is root-

ed in the injustice of poverty, hunger,

From Rio to Calcutta, from Soweto to Santo Domingo, most of the world is engaged in a violent struggle merely to survive from one day to the next, and the terrorist is simply the most active combatant in this battle. The desire for security in our homes and our property is natural, but to ignore the reality of the suffering world is to live in a fantasy. How can we feel secure when children die of starvation, families are broken by economic and military violence, human lives and potential are sacrificed daily

ou the altar of economic oecessity? Flannery O'Connor, the brilliant lit-

T OS ANGELES - Rod is standing wrote. "The only way some people can find God is through an experience of sheer terror." It is at those moments that I have learned the power of prayer, quick and furtive and repetitious -"Lord, deliver us from evil; Lord, deliver us from evil; Lord, deliver us from evil" - anesthetizing the brain, slowing the pulse, stiffening the rubbery limbs:

It is prayer under fire, prayer in the trenches, practical prayer that reaches down to a place of strength that is beyond the fear. Pretend that no one can hear the pounding of your heart or smell the stink of your sweat. Get your voice under control, slowly reach out your hand. Now, standing before Rod. I hear my voice speaking with all the bluff and bravado of an animal trainer, pretend-ing a calm that I do not feel, knowing that any hint of fear on my part will surely invite disaster.

"Rod, give me the bottle and I'll bring you a tray of food. Go on outside. You're too agitated to eat in here."

"O.K., punk, but be quick about it," he says, handing me the bottle. I grasp the oeck so as not to inadvertently release the imaginary arming mechanism, and carefully drop it in the trash can, making a silent promise to be more vigilant about picking up such weapons when I see them on the sidewalk.

This is not the first time Rod has terrorized us. Once, after an epic struggle, we "banned" him for an entire year. I used to think our methods of dealing with terrorism - prayer and nonviolence - were hopelessly idealistic and impractical. Then I heard that a security guard in a similar Skid Row institution was murdered with his own gun during a struggle with an irate client. So much for the use of force. We figure that we might

as well stick to our principles, After Rod finishes eating, he is much calmer, almost affable, so I take the opportunity to tell him that he will be banned for a week because of the disturbance that he caused in the kitchen. The hell with you, punk, f don't want

your food anyway," he says, turning on his heel and walking away.

I am fully aware that it is 1987 and that idealism, as a basis of national policy, is about as fashionable as bellbottom trousers and love beads. So I won't even suggest prayer and nonviolence as a means of combating terrorism. I am convinced, however, that you cannot end it by bombing children in Libya, or by jailing the poor in your own nation. Any effective program to end terrorism must begin with a commitment to feed the hungry, clothe the naked and shelter the homeless.

The writer is a member of the Los Angeles Catholic Worker community. He contribute crary misuress of the macabre, once ed this comment to the Los Angeles Times.

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Moslems Attack in 4 **Provinces** in **Philippines**

By Gregg Jones

Washington Past Service
MANTLA — One person was killed and 17 others were wounded in a wave of Moslem rebel bombings and attacks in four southern Philippine provinces, the police said Wednesday.

(Hashim Salamat, a leader of the the Moro Islamic Liberation Front, a guerrilla organization seeking autonomy in several provinces on southern Mindanao island, said in Saudi Arabia that his group was responsible for the attacks, The Associated Press reported. He said more attacks would be launched as part of a "long struggle" which he said "was never suspended."]

The attacks were viewed here as a setback to Mrs. Againo's efforts to negotiate a peaceful end to near-ly two decades of Moslem fighting in the south.

The renewed vinlence also called into question Mrs. Aquino's decisinn to negotiate with only one of three Moslem rebel factions, that lead by another Moro National Liberation Front leader. Nur Misuarh. Mr. Misuarh has said his group would accept regional autononly instead of independence. The agreement was denounced by Mr. Salamat, who also wants autonomy but opposes the Misuarh group.

Aquilino Pimentel, Mrs. Aquino's national affairs minister in charge of the government's Mindanao peace committee, said the attacks proved the need to bring other factions on the island into the peace process.

Speaking after meeting with Mrs. Aquino and advisers, Mr. Pimentel said that because only Mr. Misuarh was "really brought min the peace process, f was sure these things were bound to happen."

In 14 apparently coordinated attacks beginning Tuesday night and continuing until Wednesday moraing the rebels hlew up and burned bridges, power pylons, government buildings and husinesses.

Military authorities said about 300 guerrillas set up checkpoints in one town to distribute leaflets that said the attacks were aimed at stopping Mrs. Aquino's weekend visit to Mindanao. She plans to campaign there for ratification of a new constitution in a plebiscite Feb. 2.

A palace spokesman announced later Wednesday that Mrs. Aquino would proceed with the trip.



nists held a rally Wednesday in Manila's Tondo district as 'part of a dialogue with the urban poor.' About 300 district residents attended. At left is Saturnino

Ocampo, the chief spokesman for the outlawed Communist Party. Mr. Ocampo helped negotiate the 60-day cease-fire between the Aquino government and Communist rebels.

REAGAN: Strains From Health Problems, Iran Crisis Raise New Concern

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however, nut because the president had rejected their ideas but because many of his responses had little to do with their proposals, according to five leaders who attended the session. His responses led some of the leaders to wonder if he had understood the issues they had

At one point, Representative Robert H. Michel of Illinois, the House minority leader, urged the president to indicate his support of a federal insurance plan to cover catastrophic illnesses. Mr. Reagan responded by talking about a New York City welfare family living in a plush hotel at extravagant cost. Other leaders explained that catastrophic health insurance was not a welfare program, but Mr. Reagan reiterated the welfare family story.

Some of those attending were dismayed at what they viewed as the president's inability to grasp this issue and some of the others that were raised.

But one senator suggested that the president's responses at the White House meeting might have

"He didn't care sometimes about the issues," said the senator, who spoke on the condition of anonymity. "It wasn't as if be was missing the issues as much as he wanted to

address them from a different vantage point."

Senator Orrin G. Hatch, Republican of Utah, thought the president had generally acquitted himself well in a wide-ranging

"He was responding, not neces-sarily on point," said Mr. Hatch,

He has a very clear and good grasp

of all the things that are going on."
But some White House aides
have described the president as "depressed" because of the Iran controversy and his medical problems. And his mental outlook and grasp of issues have become a matter of increasing concern among

'If you're asking has this Iran-contra thing affected him, certainly it's affected him.' But 'he's never been much for details.'

> - Robert H. Michel, House minority leader

Thomas P. O'Neill Jr., who as

speaker of the House attended mi-

merous meetings with Mr. Reagan,

said, "He has a great tendency of

going into space and stargazing,

but that's nothing new."

on Capitol Hill.

adding that be could not be expect- both Democrats and Republicans ed to be familiar with all the subjects raised.

A White House aide said that he had not seen any change in Mr. Reagan's mental capacity or outlook in recent months.

"I've sat in on a lot of cabinet meetings in the last month, and I've seen no change in his wit or his grasp of subjects," he said.

Similarly, Defense Secretary Ca. president I've ever met." spar W. Weinberger, asked at a news conference Tuesday about the president's mental state, replied: covert operations. The president "He is an astonishingly strong and stated flatly that Congress had able person. He is very attentive. made it impossible for the govern-

ment to conduct covert operations, the senator said.

gress merely required being informed of such operations and said that in fact the United States conducted covert operations all nver the world and that the president recently had authorized such an

The president had no such recollection, the senator said, until he was reminded by Vice President George Bush. But, undaunted, the president returned to his original theme: Congress had made it "impossible for the government to conduct covert operations."

Mr. Michel, the House Republican leader, was asked if the stress of the investigations into the Iran arms sales and their link to aid for the rebels in Nicaragua, known as contras, had affected the president. He replied: "If you're asking has this Iran-contra thing affected him, certainly it's affected him." He would not elaborate, adding only: "He's never been much for details."

■ Speakes Assails Report

"The truth of the matter is," he added, "he knows less than any A Democratic senator recalled a White House meeting last year on

> reporter and those who spoke with er spreading salt on a road. him "ought to be ashamed of themselves," and called the story's premise "wrong, absolutely wrong" and "foolish."

"I don't think anybody is qualified to comment on the presi-dent's condition, Mr. Speakes said. They don't know what they're talking about, simple as that. Bug

AID:

ment and training. "We gave Bill Casey the crack in

Two other members of congres-

mitted under the law. The question of CIA assistance is

expected in be investigated by the One chance for Mr. Stranss new Senate and House committees would be that the governing Chrisset up to inquire into the affair of tian Democrats would win a clear U.S. arms sales to Iran and the majority of seats in the Bundestag. diversion of some of the proceeds a prospect that in an interview he

The senator replied that Con-

operation "in country X."

The chief White House spokesman, Larry Speakes, criticized The New York Times report and said Thursday that members of Congress who have voiced concern over Mr. Reagan "don't know what they are talking about," United Press international reported.

to death, the news agency MTI reported.

fn Skane province in southern Sweden, temperatures fell to minus 15 degrees centigrade (5 degrees Fahrenheit) after a blizzard. People were warned that they risked death if they went outdoors.

CIA and Contras

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lion on communications equip-

the door, through which he drove some very serious aid and assistance," said one intelligence committee member, a Democrat who opposes contra aid. "I believe it

sional intelligence committees, one Democrat and the other Republican, disputed this. They said they believed the administration and CIA exceeded the authority percoalition.

to the contras.

There have been assertions that impossible. Another would be that CIA operatives in Honduras, El the Free Democrats do so poorly in Salvador and Costa Rica provided the Jan. 25 voting that their claim the contras considerable assistance to the Foreign Ministry would belast year in the war against the come untenable. Sandinists. There has been no conizing effect on the voters that the never understood what Genscher clusive evidence to date, however, that the agency gave assistance be-youd the help allowed by Congress. crass the higher they seem to jump in the opinion polls. The prospect of Mr. Strauss becoming foreign minister makes certain Germans

■ Vance Criticizes Policy

Cyrus R. Vance, secretary of state under President Jimmy Car- determined to vote for Mr. ter, told Congress on Wednesday that the Reagan administration's Conversing on the way to Augina policy has had an "extremely negative" impact on U.S. standing as a credible world leader, The Assumption of the continuous for Bonn after the election, all political responsibility, "in keep-which he readigted the coalities in with American demands to do sociated Press repurted from which he predicted the coalition

Politics In Liberia

MONROVIA, Liberia George P. Shultz, the U.S. secretary of state, arrived here Wednesday for talks with President Samuel K. Doe and immediately urged the government to change its economic policy and its political process.

Several opposition leaders were invited to meet Mr. Shultz during damage was not complete, his six-hour stay, a clear signal to Mr. Doe's government that it self in late last year in Vienna, should take steps to open up its according to the sources. He had political process

Mr. Shultz said that he planned "a frank and full exchange of views" with Mr. Doe and other senior Liberian officials. "I note the importance of the process of political reconciliation and appland and encourage progress that effort," he said on arrival.

"On economic matters," Mr. Shultz said, "Liberia is experiencing difficulties and must make changes in its economic policy — a situation not unique to Liberia."

Mr. Doe, who took power in a coup in 1980, was elected president in general elections in October 1985. But the election results have been disputed, and an official ban on disseminating "rumors or misin-formation" remains in force.

While Mr. Doe has ordered political prisoners freed and lifted a ban on travel by opposition members, the Reagan administration would like further steps to be taken

toward an open political system. Washington has held up \$15 million in aid to Monrovia because the government has fallen behind in repaying U.S. loans. Liberia's economy has been hurt by low commodity prices and deficit cow embassy and of helping the spending. Its principal exports are iron ore, rubber and timber.

Besides Liberia, Mr. Shultz has visited Senegal, Cameroon, Serving the expulsion of Serving and Ivory Coast. He was returning to Washington on et diplomatic personnel from the United States last fall, Soviet auvisited Senegal, Cameroon, Kenya,

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milk since Saturday, and some vil-

Belgium reported its first death,

that of a 29-year-old man who ap-

parently froze in his car after it

Near Venice, a 53-year-old man

who fell from his bicycle and into a

ditch froze to death, ANSA news

agency reported. The body, cov-

ered by snow, was found by a work-

In some areas of Sweden, above

the Artic Circle, weather stadons said temperatures had risen from

minus 42 centigrade (minus 44 de-

grees Fahrenheit) to 0 degrees cen-

We almost had a heat stroke when the thermometer shot up," said Nils-Erik Vasara at the Nai-

In Iceland, spring-like weather

has produced temperatures of

about 10 degrees centigrade (50 degrees Fahrenheit) for a week, and

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this is a job that Hans-Dietrich

Genscher's Free Democratic Party

has made it clear that retaining the

Foreign Ministry is a condition for

remaining as junior partner in the

called unlikely but oot altogether

Yet Mr. Strauss has such a polar-

partners would win with 55 percent so.

Genscher has held since 1974; Mr. so," he joked.

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lage stores have run out of food.

COLD: France Calls Out Troops

In Hungary, four persons froze fally and in much of West Germa-

Shultz Urges Moscow Embassy Worker Doe to Open Reportedly Lured Marine

By Don Oberdorfer

Washington Post Service
WASHINGTON — A U.S. Marine Corps security guard being held on suspicion of helping Soviet agents spy on the U.S. Embassy in Moscow was seduced and recruited by a Soviet citizen who worked at the embassy, State Department sources said Toesday. Department officials said the

case of Sergeant Clayton J. Lonetree, 25, was being treated as a serious breach of security, although an assessment of the extent of the

Sergeant Lonetree turned himbeen assigned to the U.S. Embassy there after leaving Moscow in

He is said to have become alarmed after being contacted by Soviet agents in Vienna and asked to perform increasingly serious espionage activities.

Sergeant Lonetree is being held at the U.S. Marine Corps base in Quantico, Virginia, while awaiting a military hearing to determine charges, according to Marine offi-

The sergeant was assigned to the embassy in Moscow in September 1984, but officials would not say when his liaison began with the female embassy employee. She is believed to have recruited him to cooperate with the KGB, the Soviet secret police and intelligence agen-

U.S. Marine security guards patrol embassy buildings, dispose of "burn bags" containing confidential information and check for security violations.

The Washington Times newspaper reported Tuesday that Sergeans Lonetree was suspected of permitting KGB spies to enter the Mos-KGB install listening devices in the Moscow and Vienna embassies. Officials would not confirm this

the only snow was in the moun-

tains. The national weather bureau

said warm spells were not unusual

in winter, especially when northern

the cold weather. Portugal reported

freezing temperatures and fresh

In the Soviet Union, Muscovites

enjoyed a brief respite as tempera-

tures rose above minus 20 degrees

enheit). Temperatures also rose in

Forecasters said the temperature

was expected to plunge again by the weekend. Most forecasts were

for the bitter cold to persist at least

lce-breakers worked to keep At-

lantic and Baltic ports open. The

Polish ports of Gdansk and Sczecin

were reported working at a third of

switches delayed many commuter

trains. Wolfgang Gehrke, a spokes-man for the West German railroad

in Mainz, said coal on freight trains "had frozen into one solid lump"

A few European airports closed

briefly Tuesday, but most have not

of the popular vote. "And even if it had been decided, I wouldn't say

But he hinted that he was think-

ing about Bonn by suggesting that the Christian Social Union, his Ba-

ocrats were "an unreliable part-

ner," saying this applied mainly to the area of internal security where

they have balked at a proposal for

granting pardons to terrorists who

turn state's evidence. "And we have

means when he talks about 'a new

phase of détente," Mr. Strauss

Asked about his farceful sum-

mons for a new German identity,

Mr. Strauss said that Bonn's allies

should have "the biggest interest"

ing with American demands to do

duce his stage version of Dos-toyevski's "Crime and Punish-

indispensable." he said.

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(AP, Reuters)

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Southern Europe did not escape

Europe is gripped by cold.

snow fell on Barcelona.

until early next week.

thorities withdrew Soviet nationals from support jobs at the U.S. Embassy in Moscow and the U.S. con-

sulate in Leningrad.
In a related development, officials at several U.S. agencies said the White House decided last week not to issue a new National Securi-Decision Memorandum that would have given the Justice Department much greater authority in screening Soviet diplomats seeking to enter the Umited States.

A spokesman for the State De-partment, which has primary re-sponsibility for the entry of Soviet domais, said Moscow repeatedly had been informed that it would not be allowed to use its diplomatic facilities for espionage purposes.

EC Commission Says Delphi Site Must Be Spared

BRUSSELS - The site of the Greek temple of Delphi, threatened by plans for an aluminum mine, must be preserved undamaged, the European Community's Executive Commission declared in a statement

The EC cultural commissioner, Carlos Ripa di Menna, said the commission would deplore any move that damaged the location of the temple and oracle of Apollo at Delphi, which was considered in antiquity to be the center of the world.

The statement was in a reply to a question in the European Parliament about a plan for an aluminum mine. A French member of the Parliament, Pierre Lataillade, asked for action to protect the area, much of which remains to be excavated. He said it was "in imminent danger of destruction" from the mine, which would be financed by the Greek government.

Mr. Ripa di Meana said, The commission can only deplore in the strongest terms any damage caused to the sacred site at Delphi." A spokesman for the Greek delegation in Brussels said that the government in Athens was sull considering whether it should go ahead with the mine.

CHINA: Rumors of Change

held a session in September, and was oot expected to gather again until antumn. Another analyst said he was unsure whether the full Central Committee was gathering or whether it was a smaller group of party leaders.

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It has been more than a decade since the Communist Party purged someone of Mr. Hu's stature from his leadership post. The last time it happened was in April 1976, and the victim was Mr. Deng himself.

In West Germany, frozen Following a huge demonstration in Tiananmen Square in Beijing, the party — then dominated by leftists including Mao Zedong's wife, Jiang Qing — ousted Mr. Deng from his posts as deputy prime minister and party deputy chairman. The decision was made by the Politburo in the name of the full Central Committee.

The Chinese authorities also an-STRAUSS: Call for German Pride nounced Wednesday that a promi nent Shanghai writer and editor, Wang Ruowang, has been formally expelled from the party.

A decision by the party's Shanghai municipal disciplinary inspec-tion commission said that Mr. Wang had "advocated bourgeois liberalization" since 1979, "especially over the past two years."

varian sister organization of the Christian Democratic Party, could "He opposed party leadership run its affairs without his being in over literature and art and attempted to have it liquidated," said the "One cannot think that one is party's decision expelling Mr. Wang. He was also accused of "ad-He softened an accusation made vocating the capitalist road." in campaigning that the Free Dem-

Mr. Wang, 68, is a veteran party intellectual At age 16, after writing a satire ahnut Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek, he was impris-oned by Mr. Chiang's Nationalist regime. In 1937 Mr. Wang joined the Communist Party in its wartime headquarters at Yenan.

A victim of Mao's "anti-rightist" campaign of 1957, Mr. Wang spent most of the following two decades

in labor camps or prisons.

Mr. Wang had repeatedly argued that party authorities were trying to interfere too much in literature and the arts.

On Monday, in an interview with Hong Kong's South China Mora-ing Post, Mr. Wang said he had already heard he would be purged from the party.

"They won't harm me," he said "I'm already retired, and no one's been willing to publish my works for a long time, anyway."

DEATH NOTICE

Indian Creek Village, Miami, Florida, Judy Hofmann Richter of Bedford, New York, Carol Thompson of Colis Nock. New Jersey, and two grandsons

Sir Warwick Fairfax Is Dead at 85

Genscher's party.

SYDNEY - Sir Warwick Fairfax, 85, a key figure in Australian publishing for most of this century, died of natural causes Wednesday,

a company spokeswoman said.

Sir Warwick was a director and past chairman of the media group John Fairfax & Sons Ltd., which since 1831 has published one of the country's most prestigious newspapers, The Sydney Morning Herald. ported. He was chairman of the company

from 1956 to 1977. Other newspapers in the group tor in 1984 after Yuri P. Lyubimov, include The Age of Melbourne, a pioneering stage figure, refused to return to the Soviet Union from the

lian Financial Review. The group West, where he had gone to pro-also has major radio and television duce his stage version of Dosinterests Anatoli Efros, 61, Dies;

Director of Moscow Theater | Other deaths: MOSCOW (AP) - Anatoli V.

the official press agency Tass re-Mr. Efros, who died Tuesday, became the Taganka's chief direc-

Efros, 61, chief director at the avant-garde Taganka Theatre in Moscow, has died of a heart attack, ration for the Broadway play "Butterflies Are Free," of a brain tumor Monday in New York. Hughes's giant "Spruce Goose"

Glenn (Ode) Odekirk, 81, the designer and builder of Howard

PHILIP B. HOFMANN ON DEC. 30 1986, AT THE MIAMI Heart Institute In Miami, Florida Retired chairman of the Board and Chief Harold Eliot Krents, 42, whose Executive officer of Johnson & Johnson struggle to overcome blindness and New Branswick, New Jersey, Funeral services were held in Miami on Japuary l. and Memorial services were held in Miami on January 2 and New Brunswick, New Jersey on January 9. Surviving are his wife Georgia Hofmanu of

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IN BRIEF

Skeleton of Large Mastodon Found
WASHINGTON (WP) — The fossil skeleton of the world's largest
known mastodon, an extinct relative of the elephant, has been discovered
in central Florida

The beast stood 12 feet (3.6 meters) tall at the shoulder, half again taller than the typical mastodon and about 20 percent taller than the previous record holder, a skeleton found in Mongolia. The Florida mastodon, which lived about 7 million years ago, also had four tusks, each jutting about six feet out from the skull, two from the upper jaw and two from the

"It's a little astonishing. It's probably a new species to science," said David Webb, curator of vertebrate paleontology at the Florida State Museum, who has been excavating at the site south of Gainesville. The site appears to have been a prebistoric water hole where animals came to drink and where some became trapped in the soft clay bottom.

Hawaii Has King-Sized Raindrops

WASHINGTON (WP) — Some of the world's biggest raindrops, measuring as much as a third of an inch across, have been photographed falling over Hawaii.

The record-holding raindrop is a 9-millimeter one, just over a third of an inch same by the Illinois State Water Survey in Chammaign during a

The record-holding raindrop is a 9-millimeter one, just over a third of an inch, seen by the Illinois State Water Survey in Champaign during a 1953 thunderstorm. Scientists had thought such fat drops were rare and short-lived because collisions with other drops would break them up. A report in the journal Geophysical Research Letters, however, reveals that 8-millimeter raindrops were fairly common in a storm that Kenneth Beard, a cloud physicist at the University of Illinois, photographed in Hawaii in 1985. His photographs also showed that the drops survived for a surprisingly long average of 10 minutes. The findings are of interest because the interpretation of weather radar scans depends on assumpbecause the interpretation of weather radar scans depends on assumptions about sizes of the raindrops reflecting the radar beam back to the

AIDS Antibodies Found In Plasma

NEW YORK (NYT) — Scientists have found that blood plasma of some persons infected with the AIDS virus has large quantities of antibodies that inactivate the virus in the testtube.

The New York Blood Center is seeking plasma donations from people infected with the virus to collect more of these artibodies for further research. The plasma itself will be used only for the AIDS research. It has long been known that AIDS victims usually have detectable antibodies against the virus, but in most cases these appear to give the patient no protection against the deadly acquired immune deficiency syndrome.

If some people do have antibodies that actually protect against the

virus, it might be possible to purify these antibodies so that they could be administered under special circumstances for temporary protection of persons such as deatists, surgeons and other hospital workers who may often encounter AIDS patients' blood. Recent studies at the center showed that blood samples from about 50 of 500 infected people had large quantitites of the antibodies, said Dr. Louis Baker of the blood center. The ability to kill virus in the test tube does not necessarily prove that an agent will protect against infection.

Vaccine Against Cat Parasite Found

NEW YORK (UPI) - Scientists say a newly developed vaccine for cats may prevent pregnant women from picking up a disease from the felines that causes birth defects. The widely feared disease, toxoplasmosis, caused by the transmission of a parasite from cats to humans, is responsible for about 3,000 birth defects each year, said the March of Dimes Birth Defects Foundation, which announced the discovery.

Toxoplasmosis can also cause brain damage and death in people with diseases such as AIDS that suppress the immune system, doctors said. The potential vaccine, administered to cats rather than humans, has proven successful in laboratory trials on the animals, said the March of Dimes, based in White Plains, New York.

But the agency warned it may take years for the vaccine to pass the efficacy and safety trials needed before it can be made commercially available.



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Understanding Snowflakes

By James Gleick New York Times Service

SCIENCE has conquered the snowlake problem.

In resolving two of nature's most poetic and maddening riddles why are snowflakes symmetrical, and why are they all different — theoretical physicists have created a new body of mathematics for the laws that control the delicate branching growth of an unstable solidifying crystal.

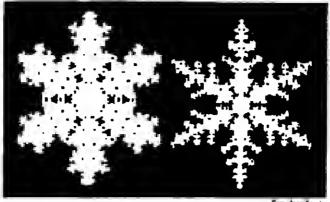
Snowflakes have become part of a growing science of pattern formation that is drawing together theo-rists, computer modelers, and engineers with practical problems ranging from metallurgy to flame propagation to oil recovery. Generations of snowflake-

watchers sketched and catalogued the patterns formed by airborne ice crystals: plates and columns, crys-tals and polycrystals, needles and dendrites. But snowlakes obey mathematical laws of surprising subtlety, and it has been impossible to predict precisely how fast a tip will grow, how narrow it will be, or how often it will branch.

"In the last two years, those roblems have been solved," said Herbert Levine of the Schlumberger-Doll Research Center in Connecticut

"We've reached a very interesting point scientifically where we're starting to look at a whole bunch of older problems of pattern formation in nature, how complex forma-tions emerge out of a generally featurcless soup," said James S. Langer of the Institute for Theoretical Physics in Santa Barbara, California. "We finally seem to have a good idea of what controls these

A key to the new approach has been the availability of computers with which scientists could propose models, test them, make pictures of the results, and then improve their models. Only recently, though, after more than five years of research by several groups, have computer ulations succeeded in realistically capturing the physics of crys-



Computer simulations of snowflake patterns.

entails, as Dr. Langer says, "a high-ly non-linear, unstable free boundary problem," meaning that models need to track a complex, wiggly boundary that changes dynamically. "That's tough, trying to understand where this boundary is moving. If you guess wrong, the

Another problem has been deciding which of the physical forces involved are important and which can be ignored. Most important, as scientists have long realized, is the diffusion of the heat released when

computer program just blows up on you."

water freezes. When solidification proceeds from outside to inside, as in an ice tray, the boundary between solid and liquid generally remains stable and smooth, at a speed controlled by the ability of the walls to draw away the heat. But when a crystal solidifies outward from an initial seed — as a snowflake does, grabbing water molecules while it falls through the moist air —the process becomes unstable.

Any bit of boundary that gets out ahead of its oeighbors gains an advantage in picking up new water molecules and therefore grows that much faster — the "lightning-rod effect." Tips, or "dendrites," form, moving rapidly outward and tending to give birth to subbranches.

This much has been known for one problem is that such growth sion and unstable growth cannot years. But the physics of heat diffu-

explain the patterns scientists ob-serve when they look at snowflakes under microscopes or grow them in the laboratory. Recently, Dr. Langer's group in California and Dr. Levine's in Connecticul separately

worked out a way to incorporate

another process: surface tension. Where diffusion creates instability, surface tension creates stability, preferring smooth boundaries like the wall of a soap bubble. It costs energy to make surfaces that are rough. And where diffusion is mainly a large-scale, macroscopic process, surface tension is strongest at the microscopic scales.

The competition between these forces makes for tricky mathematics, since the equations must relate scales of millimeters to scales of molecules. Traditionally, physicists assumed that for practical purposes they could disregard the tiny surface-tension effects. "That turned out to be just wrong," Dr. Levine said. "The breakthrough was showthrowing away the right solution to tough."
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a solidifying substance — in the pursuing the new approach to patcase of ice, a natural hexagonal term formation, and a physicist at configuration. That gives ice a Emory University, in Atlanta, Ferbuilt-in preference for six directive of the part of the pursuing the new approach to patch the pursuing the pursuing the new approach to patch the pursuing the new approach the patch the patch the pursuing the tions of growth.

history of the changing weather conditions it has experienced. As a growing flake falls to earth, typically floating in the wind for an hour or more, the choices made by the branching tips at any instant depend on such things as the temperature, the humidity, and the presence of impurities in the atmo-

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The nature of turbulent air is such that any two snowflakes will follow very different paths, and enough combinations of patterns are possible to more than justify the folklore that all snowflakes are different. But why are all six arms of a snowflake alike?

"Lots of people have thought that there has to be some mechanical equivalent of somebody sitting at the center of the snowflake and telling all of them to do the same thing," Dr. Langer said.

Bul first of all, careful examination shows that snowflakes are not exactly symmetrical. And second, the six arms of one snowflake, less than a millimeter across, will have experienced nearly identical growiog conditions — much closer than any two snowflakes experience. and close enough to explain their

similarity.

In metallurgy, specialists seek a precise understanding of what controls the speed of crystal growth and the degree of irregularity because these, in turn, often control the tensile strength of an alloy after

it solidifies. "There's a brand new interaction between technology and science, connected largely by the computer," Dr. Langer said. "People in industry say. 'We're dealing with more and more complex systems. ing that by throwing away this par- and we're not going to do it by ticular physical effect one was hunt-and-find any more — it's too

Meanwhile, physics groups at The reason is that the surface the Ecole Normale Superieure, in effects prove much more sensitive Paris, and the California Institute ons of growth:

ematics to create startlingly lifelike on pattern formation may apply to most likely to carry over into other developmental biology as well.

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Multiple exposure of dendrite growth, magnified 40 times.

gregation of 10,000 or more parti-cles, requires about eight hours of vestigation by physicists. high-speed calculation, and very slight changes in temperature or midity produce vivid changes in the resulting patterns, Dr. Family

Experimentalists, too, are pushing the science of pattern forma-tion forward. Jerry P. Gollub, a physicist at Haverford College and the University of Pennsylvania, has mathematics and experiment. conducted a series of experiments
designed to shed light on the preare important because there are to the molecular crystal structure of of Technology, in Pasadena, are cise shape of the convoluted structures that appear behind the grow- long run, I think the most impor-

One computer snowflake, an ag- Some types of algae, for example,

There is a clear connection between this problem of stability and the early differentiation of certain organisms when they start from an egg and gradually acquire struc-ure," Dr. Golluh said. "What we're really doing is pushing science in a new direction through a simustaneous development in

tant aspect will be this general development of tools and ways of thinking. It is those things that are

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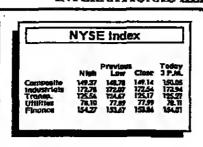
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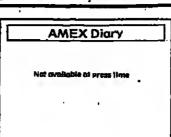


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NYSE Prices Up; Trading Heavy

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NEW YORK - Prices on the New York Stock Exchange were higher late Wednesday on heavy trading, boosted by a strong energy sector and persistent demand by institutional and in-dividual investors for equities.

The Dow Jones industrial average, with its eighth straight gain, was up 11.95, to 2,024.89, at 3 P.M. EST. Earlier, the Dow had been ahead by 21 points.

Gainers led losers by a 2-1 ratio. Volume at 3 P.M. amounted to about 184.87 million shares, compared with 145.5 million in

the same period Tuesday. Prices were higher in heavy trading of American Stock Exchange issues. Traders said a strong appetite for equities by large and small investors continued unabated

after persistent selling in December. The market's ability to advance despite some profittaking has made investors less cautious about the potential for a sharp correction, they said. Analysts said that investors who are willing to buy on price dips were keeping the market from backsliding, thus encouraging more ag-

gressive buying. The analysts said a small recovery in International Business Machines was also positive. The beliwether issue dropped about six points during the first two sessions of the week, pressured as analysts lowered their earnings estimates for the computer giant.

Semiconductor stocks surged on the Semiconductor Industry Association's report that

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With an hour of trading remaining, Puget Sound Power & Light was the most active NYSE-listed issue, off slightly.

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To Our Readers

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new orders for the three months through December grew at an 8.8 percent rate from the onths ended in November. National Semiconductor, Advanced Micro Devices, Tex-as Instruments, Motorola and Intel were all

sharply higher.

As crude oil prices rose on the New York
Mercantile Exchange, oil and oil service stocks
advanced. Schlumberger, Chevron, Texaco, Exxon and Phillips Petroleum were all gaining. Owens-Illinois was up slightly after rising three points Tuesday, when Kohlberg Kravis,

Roberts & Co. sweetened its bid for the comp my to \$60 a share. Owens-Illinois rejected a \$55share offer Monday. International Paper was advancing sharply

after a jump Tuesday when it reported a nearly three-fold rise in net earnings for its fourth Bethlehem Steel was ahead. After the market closed Tuesday, the company said it expected to report net income in the fourth quarter instead

of the operating loss previously expected. Stocks of Japanese multinationals rose after gaining overnight in Tokyo. Helped by the sharp rise of the yen against the U.S. dollar, Hitachi, Honda, Sony and Matsushita Electric

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WALL STREET WATCH

Leaner Oil-Service Industry **Leads Varied List of Gainers**

By VARTANIC G. VARTAN New York Times Service

EW YORK — Large-capitalization issues — drugs, papers and oils, among others — figure prominently on the expanding list of stocks scoring new 52-week highs on the New York Stock Exchange. But the marker's broad advance also saw new highs set last week by components of the long-depressed oil-service industry, as well as by stocks in each "niche" sectors as check printers, funeral-related businesses such "niche" sectors as check printers, funeral-related businesses and New Jersey home builders.

In the oil-service group, both Halliburton and Dresser Industries, benefiting from rising prices for crude oil and Wall Street's renewed interest in energy stocks, traded last week at their highest levels since 1985.
Thesday, Halliburton fell 87.5 cents to \$29.75, while Dresser was unchanged at \$23.50.

In recent years, the sharp contraction in oil-drilling ac-

home builders are among those tivity has caused huge price declines in this group. Halli-burton reached a high of doing well.

\$86.375 in late 1980, when
Dresser's shares also fetched their record price of \$57.
Last October, when Halliburton was selling at \$22 and Dresser was trading at \$18, Sandi Haber Sweeney, an analyst at Sanford

C. Bernstein & Co., recommended their purchase.

"I would continue to be a buyer of both stocks," she said this week. "The companies have strong balance sheets, and they have done an excellent job of 'downsizing' their operations. That means they now enjoy the potential of earnings leverage when drilling activity steets to relevant hours. drilling activity starts to rebound. My top choices in the industry

now are Baker International and Schlumberger."

Tuesday, Baker eased 62.5 cents, to \$14.125, while Schlumberger, the industry leader, declined 37.5 cents to \$36.275, after reaching a 52-week high on Monday. In December, Paine Webber upgraded its opinion on Schlumberger to attractive from

MONG funeral-related stocks, brighter earnings prospects have sent Hillenbrand Industries and Service Corp. International to record levels. Hillenbrand, the leading maker of coffins, was unchanged Tuesday at \$50.625. Shares of Service Corp., the largest U.S. funeral service and cemetery company, closed at \$38.75, up 75 cents.

Analysis said that in recent years both companies had benefit-

Analysts said that in recent years both companies had benefit-ed from acquisitions, new products, improved profit margins and increased market share as smaller competitors have left the field. "An industrywide consolidation is likely to help Hillenbrand's casket business," said Christian Woschenko of the Value Line Investment Survey. For the year that ended Nov. 30, he estimates

Investment Survey. For the year that ended Nov. 30, he estimates earnings at \$2.50 a share, up from \$1.69 the previous year.

Value Line accords Hillenbrand its top "timeliness" rating as an investment in the next 12 months. The company also manufactures hospital equipment, luggage and security locks.

At Service Corp., Mr. Woschenko expects profits for the year ending April 30 to increase to \$1.90 a share from the previous year's \$1.62. The company expanded its husiness in 1985 with the acquisition of Amedeo, the nation's No. 2 coffin producer.

The two leading U.S. printers of bank checks, Deluxe Check Printers and John H. Harland, together account for about 75 percent of the output of this industry. Tuesday, Deluxe was

percent of the output of this industry. Tuesday, Dehixe was unchanged at \$38, while Harland declined 50 cents, to \$51.25.

Deluxe is rated as guestrong hold" after its recent sharp run-up \$1.40 a share for 1986 and at \$1.75 for this year. In 1985, Defuxe earned \$1.22 a share. The analyst carries a "buy/hold" opinion on Harland, which earned \$1.77 a share in 1985. Profits are estimated at \$2.10 a share for last year and at \$2.55 for 1987.

Two home builders that derive much of their growth from the New Jersey housing market — Toll Brothers and Hovnanian Enterprises — also scored highs in recent days. Toll, which went public last July at \$12.50, finished Tuesday at \$19.375, up 12.5 cents. Hovnanian, whose shares tripled in value last year closed on the American Stock Exchange at \$22, down 62.5 cents.

Banks Get Leeway on **Securities**

U.S. Court Lifts Curb on Outlets

WASHINGTON — The Su-preme Court eleared the way Wednesday for national banks to establish discount securities bro-kerage outlets wherever they want.

The 8-0 decision was seen as a victory for the banks and the Reagan administration, which supports financial deregulation, and a blow to the securities industry.

Justice Byron R. White, writing for the court, said the U.S. comptroller of the currency may apported to the currency may apported.

plans by national banks to offer widespread brokerage services.

A federal law that limits branch banking activities, the 1927 McFadden Act, does not apply to establishing a securities business, Justice White wrote.

"The comptroller reasonably interprets the statute as requiring competitive equality only in core banking functions, and not in all incidental services," he said. "A discount brokerage service is not a core banking function."

In 1982, the comptroller had approved plans by two national banks — Security Pacific Corp., with offices in California and elsewhere in the West, and Union Planters National Bank of Memphis, Tennessee — to enter the discount brokerage business.

But a federal appeals court, rul-ing in favor of the securities indus-try in 1985, limited banks' expansion into the sale of securities. That court said national banks may conduct brokerage activities only at established bank branch offices.

Until Wednesday's reversal by the Supreme Court, the decision had effectively prohibited banks from crossing state lines to set up brokerage outlets or from creating offices for selling securities within the bank's home state.

Security Pacific set up a broker-age business and Union Planters purchased Brenner Steed and Associates Inc., a Memphis brokerage. The banks and the administration asked the Supreme Court to overturn the appeals court ruling:

is considering more than 60 appli-cations by banks to enter the busi-ness of discount securities trading. [The ruling is expected to have the greatest impact on smaller and medium-sized banks wanting to get into the discount brokerage busi-ness, Reuters reported. Bank holding companies already may offer discount brokerage services.]

Conable Plans Tighter World Bank 'Restructuring' May Reduce Work Force by 20 Percent

By Clyde H. Farnsworth

WASHINGTON - The World Bank calls it a "restructuring," the first major one in 15 years. But to some of the organization's 6,500 employees, it is more like the sword of Damo-

Although no decisions are likely before spring, the exercise to slim down the 41-year-old global lender is already causing anxiety at its headquarters three blocks from the White House.

Early reports suggest that the rolls may be cut by as much as 20 percent, lopping off 1,300 em-pinyees and dropping staff size to levels of the late 1970s.

For years, the perception in many quarters around Washington, especially on Capitol Hill, has been that the bank, whose staff has quadrupled in less than twn decades, has grown obese and provides its employees with too many fringe benefits and

The United States is the largest supporter of the bank, providing about 20 percent of its money, and these funds must be approved by Congress, which in these times of budgetary restraint is keeping a sharp eye out

By Robert D. Hersbey Jr.

New York Times Service

sen, formerly the top economist at Citibank, and Edward W. Kelley,

an investment adviser from Texas,

seem likely to be chosen to fill the

two vacancies on the Federal Re-

serve Board, government and busi-

ness sources said Tuesday.

Meanwhile, the prospects appear

to have dimmed that Beryl W.

Sprinkel, chairman of the presi-

dent's Council of Economic Advis-

ers, would be chosen to succeed

Paul A. Volcker, whose term as Fed

chairman expires in August.

Donald T. Regan, the White
House chief of staff, was said to be

the post, but the odds against him seem to have lengthened in recen

days, according to one official.

Mr. Olsen's selection would
mark something of a departure
from the pattern set by President
Ronald Reagan in choosing five

Fed governors, four of whom still

serve. Mr. Olsen, 60, who retired

from Citioank last year, has a repu-

WASHINGTON - Laif H. Ol-

"This review is long overdue," said one of the bank's congressional critics, Representative Jer-



Barber B. Conable Jr.

ry Lewis, Republican of Califor-

At the bank itself, "a lot of people are wondering where they will be in a year," said one ner-vous loan officer.

Some staff members, many of whom spoke on condition their names not be used, said they had had to take on a bigger work load as the contemplated reorganization has meant that vacancies are not being filled.

"In my debt division," said Jean Baneth, director of the economic analysis and projections department, "we are handling a volume of data twice as high as

a greater or lesser degree, exhibited

more restrictive monetary policy.

Mr. Olsen, reached by telephone in New York, acknowledged that he was engaged in discussions with the White House, but said that "it

It was understood that, if he

joined the board, he would take the

seat of Henry C. Wallich, 72, who

recently resigned because of poor

is very tentative on both sides."

ply-side tendencies.

five years ago, with only a 6 per-cent increase in staff."

The overhaul was initiated by the bank's new president, Barber B. Conable Jr., a former Republican congressmen from New York, both to strengthen the institution in the pivotal role it is playing in the global debt crisis and to make it more salable to

"I happen to believe that the staff of this institution is a remarkable asset in the world of development," Mr. Conable said recently. "But there have been expressions of lack of confidence, or at least of uncertainty about efficiency.

"I feel it's important that we recertify it and to the extent necessary we restructure it and change the procedures to be sure we are meeting today's expectan-cy and proving adequately re-sponsive to the challenges that face us."

The streamlining, engineered with the assistance of the New York-based management con-sulting firm of Cresap, McCor-mick & Paget, is similar to, al-though perhaps not as dramatic as, that undertaken by a number of large corporations. American Telephone & Telegraph Co., for layoff of 27,000 workers.

Many outsiders are hailing the See BANK, Page 13

Mr. Olsen's selection also could

and therefore are inclined toward a chairman. Some of those who ap- 3d, a fellow Texan and longtime

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Choices Reported for Federal Reserve Vacancies

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Reagan's other appointees have, to term of 14 years.

U.S. Retail Sales Increased 4.4% In December

By Martin Crutsinger The Associated Press

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WASHINGTON — Retail sales in the United States, aided by lastminute Christmas shopping and automobile sales, rose a near-record 4.4 percent in December, the government reported Wednesday. The Commerce Department said that retail sales totaled a seasonally

adjusted \$126.26 billion last month after a revised 0.6 percent decline, from an originally reported growth of 0.5 percent, in November. The department's report is based

on a sampling of selected business-es and is subject to change.

December's increase was the largest since a record 5.6 percent jump in September that was spurred by a rush to take advantage of cut-rate auto financing offered to reduce a huge backlog of unsold 1986-model cars.

The retail sales figures have been influenced heavily in recent months by auto sales. After rising at a record rate in September, total sales fell a record 5.2 percent in October after the financing incentives were discontinued.

November's weakness was blamed on a 3.4 percent decline in auto sales, while they rose by 16.2 percent in December, the best

principal supporter, however, is Treasury Secretary James A. Baker

showing since the record 22.7 percent increase in September.

Even excluding autos, retail sales did well in December, rising by 0.9 percent. That was the best showing for the non-auto category since a t percent rise in July 1985.

Much of this strength came in the category that includes department stores, where sales rose 1.3 percent, the best monthly showing since a 1.5 percent rise in August.
Retail sales in October-December were 0.2 percent below those in
the year's third quarter.

For all of 1986, retail sales tutaled \$1.44 trillion. That was a 5.2 percent rise from 1985, when sales rose by 6.3 percent, but the lowest annual increase since a 3.0 perceu:

rise in the recession year of 1982. Sales of durable goods, those expected to last three years or more, were up 10.2 percent in December after a 2 percent decline in Novem-

Sales on nondurable goods were

Guinness Chief Is Dismissed

LONDON — Guinness PLC, the British brewing com-pany, on Wednesday dismissed its chairman and chief executive and asked two more directors to resign in a growing debate over the company's conduct of a takeover battle.

The company said it had severed all contact with chairman and chief executive, Ernest Saunders, who last week took a cave of absence during a goverament inquiry into the company's actions during its £2.7 billion (\$4 billion) takeover of Distillers Co., a gin and Scotch whisky maker, last April.

The company also requested the resignations of directors Ar-thur Fuerer, chairman of the In filling the two vacancies, which require Senate confirmation, Swiss Bank, Leu AG, and Thomas Ward, an American

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Rosy Forecast by Bonn Disputed by Opposition

BONN -- The West German in its own optimism.

Chancellor Helmnt Kohl's center-right coalition, in office since 1982 and leading in opinion polls, is campaigning largely on its eco-

Its report said that inflation would remain under control in 1987, unemployment would fall would expand by 2.5 percent or more, a growth rate matching its performance in 1985 and 1986.

The report said the forecast was jobs since late 1983.
realistic despite potential risks to growth if foreign demand for Germonth results and the property for man goods were to weaken for a long period. The recent appreciation of the Deutsche mark, which reflects the strength of the economy, makes exports more expensive.

They fell 0.6 per cent in 1986.
Martin Bangemann, the economics minister, said the government would be prepared to consider bringing forward tax cuts from 1988 to 1987 if the economy showed signs of weakening serious ly, although be stressed that he did not think this would be necessary. Tax ents would increase consumer

spending and boost the economy. The main opposition, the Social Democrats, or SPD, said the the government was overstating growth prospects to win votes. The SPD contends that the econ-

new downturn, partly as a result of lower exports. The report is a conscious, coolly calculated attempt to deceive citizens until the elections," said Wolfgang Roth, a deputy chamman of the SPD's parliamentary party.

He disputed a government as-sumption that the mark would not register a significant further rise on foreign exchange markets this year. . The mark's neward adjustment in the European Monetary System this week and the continued slide of

the dollar against the mark showed the currency was trapped in an up-wards spiral, be said. Hans Apel, another deputy chairman of the SPD parliamentary party, said the fact that a tax-cut

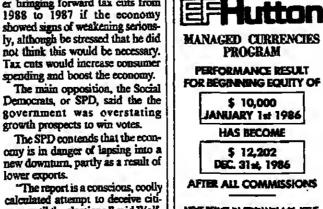
government's annual economic re-port Wednesday forecast another set to rise between I and 2 percent year of steady growth in 1987, but opposition parties called at propaganda being issued for the federal elections Jan. 25.

Character year of steady growth in 1987, but in 1987, after adjustment for inflation, and it predicted that domestic demand would remain lively in 1987, which would compagate for

> per cent this year from 9.0 percent last year, the report said.

The SPD has said the Kohl gov-1987, unemployment would fall erroment is failing to tackle what it and Europe's strongest economy calls mass unemployment, which it pledges to halve if elected.
The government says its policies have led to the creation of 600,000

> There were 994 West German corporate insolvencies last November, one less than in the same month in 1985, the Federal Statistics Office said Wednesday, Reu-ters reported from Wiesbaden.



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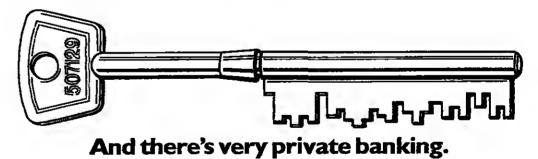
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Caterpillar Closing Plant in Glasgow

The Associated Press
LONDON — Caterpillar Traclor Co., the U.S.-based world's largest manufacturer of heavy con-struction equipment, said Wednes-day it would close its Giasgow plant, with the loss of 1,221 jobs, as part of "further consolidation" to reduce costs and improve efficien-

The Glasgow plant produces one model of tractor, plus parts and components for other machines. In September, Caterpillar announced a \$90 million investment to modernize the plant, with the intention of making it the company's biggest in Europe. The British government promised substantial cash aid, thought to be about \$9 million.

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Fairfax Increases Offer; Murdoch Gains in Court

SYDNEY - John Fairfax Ltd. said Wednesday that it would raise its takeover bid for Queensland Press Ltd. to 24 Australian dollars (\$15.94) a share from its previous bid of 20 dollars, while the Supreme Court in Victoria overruled a temporary injunction that had prevented Robert Murdoch from acquiring more shares of Herald & Weekly Times Ltd.

Queensland Press owns a prvotal 24 percent of HWT, which is the target of a takeover battle between Mr. Murdoch's News Corp. Ltd. and Robert Holmes a Court's J.N. Taylor Holdings Ltd. Queensland Press, based in Brisbane, is in turn 48.3 percent owned by HWT, Australia's largest media group.

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The large Fairfax group, whose flagship is the Sydney Morning Herald, publishes morning and afternoon daily papers in Brisbane and holds radio and regional newspaper interests in Queensland.

Fairfax said that a comparable offer would be made for Queensland's convertible notes, and that its offer was being made on the

its offer was being made on the same terms and conditions as its

Queensland shares were trading at 22 dollars when the market closed Wednesday.

The Fairfax offer is conditional upon the success of J.N. Taylor's bid for HWT, for which J.N. Taylor currently is offering 13.50 Australian dollars a share. News Corp. is offering 15 dollars a share.

Two more key conditions set by Fairfax are that Queensland Press accept the J.N. Taylor cash offer for its stake in HWT and that J.N. Taylor allow HWT to accept the Fairfax bid for Queensland Press. In addition, it is conditional on a

50.1 percent rate of acceptance for issues are resolved Queensland's total capital, assumto begin Monday.

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and write-downs in the value of assets.

ing the conversion of notes, and upon there being no change in Queensland's business apart from its accepting the J.N. Taylor offer for its shares of HWT.

The new offer values Queens-land's issued capital at 1.09 billion Australian dollars, up from 910

Mr. Holmes à Court, whose com-panies hold about 14 percent of Queensland's shares, has varied the terms of J.N. Taylor's offer for HWT in accommodate the condi-tions made by Fairfax. A spokes-man said in Perth that J.N. Taylor had oot increased its bid in connection with the new Fairfax offer, but

that an increase was possible. Mr. Murdoch made an oral bid of 23 dollars a share to Queensland's board last Friday, tied in Queensland's acceptance of his bid for HWT. But Queensland decided it was inappropriate to accept by his deadline that evening. Mr. Holmes à Court had asked

courts in Victoria and Queensland to block Mr. Murdoch's bid for HWT, and to prevent Queensland from accepting his offer. J.N. Tay-lor obtained the interim injunction last Friday, alleging that News Corp. was not allowed to acquire HWT because Mr. Murdoch, albough born in Australia, has since become a U.S. citizen and the Broadcasting and Television Act bars foreigners from owning more than 15 percent of a broadcaster.

However, Mr. Murdoch has said he plans to sell the TV stations owned by HWT if his offer is successful, and the Supreme Court in Victoria overraled the injunction Wedoesday, although ordering News Corp. to restrain from regis-tering the transfer of any HWT shares it acquires until the legal issues are resolved. A full hearing is

Enron Corp. said for the fourth quarter it expected to take a number of nonrecurring charges against Acura models, which are manufactured in Japan, are earnings that would "virtually offset" a gain of \$123 intended to compete with luxury cars such as the

company, the Zurich and Basel stock exchanges said. had taken a 50 percent stake in a new holding compa-

million from the sale of its petrochemical unit. The company said the charges included employee reloca-

tion and severance costs, building-lease obligations

Hanson Trest PLC said it had cut its stake in Bowater Industries PLC to below 5 percent, the level

which requires formal notification under British stock-exchange regulations. Last year the company built up its stake in Bowater to 11.71 percent, sparking

speculation that it could have been preparing for a bid.

Here Conserven Lemburg share trading has been suspended until further notice at the request of the

The company gave no reason for seeking the suspen-

sion. Hero said Monday that it had been informed of a

Bank America Denies Story That It Sought Aid in Japan

TOKYO - A spokesman for BankAmerica Corp. denied on

Wednesday a report that the company had approached several Japanese banks to seek financial assistance. A spokesman for Bank of America's Tokyo branch, Aiko Taira, said he had informed the bank's head office in San Francisco about

the report Tuesday, and a spokesman there called the report untrue. The report by Kyodo News Service quoted unnamed banking sources as saying BankAmerica, acting through a U.S. intermediary, had asked a group of Japanese banks for financial assistance.

The report said the troubled American bank wanted the Japanese

banks to buy about \$500 million worth of preferred stock and subordinated debentures to help with its rehabilitation. Earlier this month, Bank America's directors rejected a \$3.2 billion takeover offer by First Interstate Bancorp of Los Angeles. Bank of America is the second-largest U.S. bank, after Citicorp.

Mr. Taira noted that the BankAmerica directors had authorized

management to raise additional capital, including the issuance of equity securities, to bolster the company's finances and belp thwart the unwanted takeover.

BankAmerica officials in the United States have said that while there may be foreign interest in acquiring equity securities, that did oot mean such investors would be taking a significant interest.

Dixons Group Reports Rise in Profit But Ignores Talk of U.S. Acquisition

LONDON — By announcing first-half results without commenting on a rumored acquisition, Dix-ons Group PLC, the electrical retailer, has quieted speculation that it plans to make a major purchase in the United States, share analysts said Wednesday.

But they said they still believed the group was negotiating a purchase, and one analyst suggested that Dixons might pay up to \$600 million for a U.S. electrical retailer. Such a purchase probably would be financed through a vendor placing of shares, the analysts said.

No company spokesman was im-mediately available for comment

bid for Woolworth Holdings PLC last year, but acceptances reached only 36 percent.

trading Tuesday.

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Lubensky Paid \$100,000 for 34.2% of Wheeling

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By Arthur Highee International Herold Tribune

Lloyd C. Lubensky paid only \$100,000 for Allen E. Paulsoo's 34.2 percent stake in the Wheeling-Pittsburgh Steel Co., according to a filing by Mr. Lubensky with the Securities and Exchange Commis-sion, The New York Times reports. Market analysts had estimated the market value as \$13.5 million, the amount cited in last week's press

reports of the sale. The \$100,000 price was reported in a filing by Mr. Lubensky with the Securities and Exchange Commission. Mr. Paulson, in selling his holdings, also resigned as chairman of the succi company, which is in bankruptcy proceedings. He said he sold the shares at a loss in offset gains from other investments. Mr. Paulson is chairman of Gulfstream Аетограсс Согр.

Acrospace Corp.

The plan apparently was in install Mr. Lubensky, now Wheeling's largest stockholder, as chairman. But Wheeling has named George A. Ferris, vice chairman and chief executive, as acting chairman until a Feb. 9 board meeting. The company said Mr. Lubensky would be weighing the role he intends to play in management.

Mr. Lubensky told The Times he

In announcing its results, Dixons reported a 35 percent rise in pretax profits in the 28 weeks to Nov. 8, to £40.5 million (\$60.3 million) from price be paid, "everything considered." Asked what the considered." Asked what the considered mot say. He and Mr. Paulsop are leasting business associates. ongtime business associates.

Suzuki Motor Co., Japan's largest maker of small cars, has ap-pointed Searchi Inagawa, an execu-At midday Wednesday, Dixons tive director, as its new chairman shares were quoted at 320 pence on and another executive director, the London Stock Exchange, a Kaoru Kurne, as vice president, drop from 336 pence at the close of Osamu Suzuki remains president. Cessna Aircraft Co.'s president,

Bill Van Sant has resigned "to pur-sue other business interests" after firm's pame to Genssler and

tries management consulting com- German and American nationality; Kingdom Holdings Ltd. and has pany, has named Rolf Genssler Mr. Scheye, 63, a former officer at been a Westminster director since chairman and Klaus Scheye vice W.R. Grace; and, as senior consul-

his agreement with the parent com- Schwab loc. The company has pany. General Dynamics Corp., ex-spuo off its retail-sales consultancy pired, Cessna said, Mr. Van Sant. to its former chairman, Stanley 48, had promised not to leave be- Fenvessy, and a group of employfore Dec. 31, 1986. General Dy- ees. Frank Schwab, 54. the presinamics acquired Cessna, based in dent, chief executive and major Wichita, Kansas, the world's large stockholder, said the firm has est maker of private airplanes, last strengthened its international ex- effective May I. He replaces Sir pertise by recruiting Mr. Genssler, Fenvessy and Schwab Inc., a 57, formerly with the Flick Group New York-based resources-indus- in Düsseldorf, who holds West tive chairman of IBM United

tants, M. Norman Anderson, 55. a Canadian-American and former head of Cominco mining, and Pierre Gousseland, 64, a French-American and former head of Amax Inc. mining.

has appointed Sir Edwin Nixoo as one of its three deputy chairmen, Anthony Touche, who will be 60 on Jan. 31. Sir Edwin, 61, is oonexecu-

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the end of 1987," said Jonathan Francis, managing director of the World Economic Group at Whar-

ton Econometrics in Philadelphia. Foreign-exchange dealers in Frankfurt also were taking a dim view of the dollar's future.

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dollar and shows no signs of turn-ing," said a Frankfurt-based dealer for an American bank

"It's almost certain that we will see the dollar reach the historical low of DM 1.70 this year, although there will be ups and downs along the way," the dealer said. "What happens once we do reach that point is anyone's guess."

The dollar reached a peak of 3.47 defici DM in 1985. Experts say its current ber. slide began Sept. 22, 1985, when finance ministers and central bankers from Britain, France, West Germany, Japan and the United States,

meeting in New York, agreed to mental impact on market psycholo-move in coordination to lower the dollar's value

That agreement was designed to reduce the burgeoning U.S. trade deficit by making U.S. goods more competitive abroad while making imports more expensive.

By the middle of last year, there were indications the strategy was working, as exports of chemical, electronic and machinery products began to rise.

But recent trade data were far worse than expected.

The trade deficit was supposed to bottom out in the third quarter of 1986," Mr. Francis said. "Instead, we had a record monthly deficit of \$19.2 billion in Decem-

"I nearly fell out of my chair when I saw it," he continued. "Now, no one knows what the hell is going ou. This has had a funda-

News of the December deficit, which came early this month, was

pushed aside by the tensions within the European Monetary System, calminating Monday with an up-ward adjustment of the mark and the Dutch guilder by 3 percent and of the Belgian and Luxembourg francs by 2 percent.

billion for 1986. The current account is the balance of imports return on the securities by raising against exports of goods and ser-VICES. A current account deficit of

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buying U.S. securities, such as Treasury bills or bonds, to finance our deficit," be said. "I can't overemphasize how ex-

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treme this situation is," Mr. Fran-"We can't increase the yield or interest rates," be said. But by making the dollar fall, these securities

to borrow that amount of money French francs, down from Tuesday's 6.2900.

BANK: Conable Plans Tighter Ship (Continued from first finance page) ministration still faces an uphill

move. For example, Richard E. Feinberg, vice president of the Overseas Development Council, a research institution, said: "I think it's good that Conable is taking a

hard look. A leaner bank beefs up their brief on the Hill." Mr. Feinberg said that if it is crafted carefully, the restructuring should be welcomed, both by many inside the bank, who are frustrated by the proliferation of paperwork, and by developing countries, which

would like to see quicker loan ap-

Mr. Lewis said there was "no question" that if Mr. Conable is successful with this effort, he will become cheaper for foreigners, he be "more successful" with the subcommittee on foreign operations of the House Appropriations Com-mittee, which holds one of the keys to bank financing.

No matter what happens in the restructuring plan, the Reagan ad-

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fight this year to win any appropri-ations for the bank, or indeed any forcign assistance.

Representative David R. Obey, Democrat of Wisconsin, who is chairman of the subcommittee, and his allies are reluctant, aides said. to approve foreign aid requests so long as President Ronald Reagan is spread staff shortages as snow precutting domestic programs and refuses to raise taxes.

On top of \$750 million of arrearages in contributions to international financial organizations, the Eurobond launched in the morning United States is committed to a by the Norwegian state oil concern, \$958.3 million offering this year for Statoil, was depressed by weatherthe World Bank's program of no-interest loans for the poorest coun-denominated issues had already

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Severe Weather Depresses **Demand for Statoil Issue**

By Sandy Critchley
Reuters

was curtailed Wednesday by widevented many traders from reaching their desks, dealers said.

Response to at least one new issue, a \$200 million dollar-straight been depleted by recent dollar

The bank, which is owned by 151 weakness, dealers noted. After a slightly lower start, dollar 1972 when it was headed by Robert Eurobond prices recovered some-S. McNamara. Mr. McNamara is a what toward the end of the day, member of a committee appointed despite the dollar's continued by Mr. Conable to help reorganize the World Bank.

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Rich Kapsch, an analyst in Chicago with E.F.

Hitton Group, said the trading activity was

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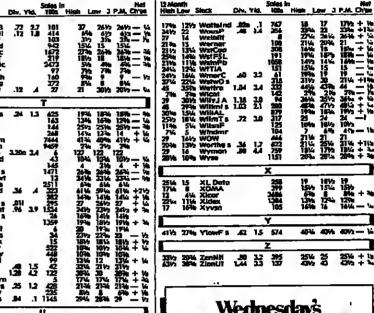
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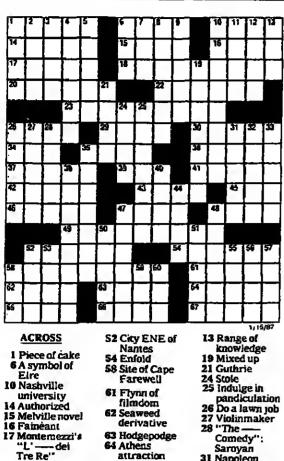
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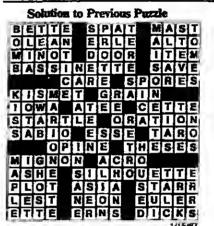
Reviewed by Peter Goodchild

O NE November day in 1939. Harold Freese-Pennefather, a member of the British Legation in Oslo, was confronted by a visitor who insisted that he take delivery of a small parcel. After a moment's indecision, Freese-Pennefather took the package, and the stranger disappeared without leaving his name. When the package was opened, it was found to contain a book, something that looked rather like a radio tube and a scientific report written in German. That report contained a mass of secret information about the German war effort, including information on two new radar systems and the first intimations of the work on rockets that had begun at the research station at Peenemunde

This so-called Oslo Report was dismissed by the British as a hoax. It was to be more than three years before any action was taken to impede the work at Peenemande, a delay that was to cost the British dearly.

As to the author of the report, he has remained anonymous, but in "The Griffin," Arnold Kramish presents circumstantial evidence that the author was Paul Rosebaud, a scientist and journalist, who throughout World War II, kept up a supply of information on the Ger-man war effort flowing into Britain.

There is no doubt that Kramish has found a subject worthy of a biography. Rosebaud, illegitimate. an Austrian (his brother was the conductor Hans Rosebaud) was educated as a physicist but rapidly moved to a position of eminence in the world of scientific journalism He was an Anglophile and also deeply worried by what the Nazis were doing in Germany. As consultant to the German scientific journal Naturwissenschaften, he ensured the publica-tion of the discovery of nuclear fission, the process that showed that an atomic weapon was possible. As 1939 wore on, Rosebaud did his utmost to keep the channels of communica tion between scientists in various countries open. After the war began, he set up chains of agents, particularly in Scandinavia, to pass the information he had gleaned on to the British



secret service. Throughout the war, he deliv-

ered a report almost monthly.

He had sent his Jewish wife and daughter to England early in the war, but he stayed on, narrowly massing arrest on several occasions.
According to Kramish, it was largely because of Paul Rosebaud that the British knew of the uncertain progress and eventual failure of the German atomic weapon program, and that leads Kramish to claim that he can now demoiish a major myth of our time. That is that the Germans and the Allies were locked into a race to build a bomb when, in fact, no such race

Certainly he shows that after a promising start, the German program ground to a halt in mid-1942. However, that has been the subject of several books. He then goes on to indicate that while the British knew of that failure from The Griffin" - Rosebaud's code name - the Americans did not. He shows that by the nummer of 1943, British intelligence was stating that the German bomb program "was ceasing to be a source of grave anxiety." Yet, by that time, the Americans bad already turned their attention toward Japan. Whether they knew about the Griffin's reports or not, in the spring of 1943, the American Military Policy Committee had discussed the Japanese fleet at

Truk as a possible target for the new weapon.

This is not the only incidence of shadow boxing in the book. The author also seeks to correct another possible misconception about what happened at a meeting in 1941 between what happened at a meeting in 1941 between Werner Heisenberg, a leading German atomic physicist, and the Danish physicist, Neils Bohr. According to Kramish, supporters of Heisenberg have tried to spread the notion that he came to Bohr to ask him to use his good offices to persuade the physicists of the world not so work on the bomb. In fact, Kramish says Heisenberg went to pick Bohr's brains for information on the U.S. bomb program. Again, I would not quarrel with that conclusion, only with the author's belief that that is not aiready well known.

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But those and the other quixous endeavors in this book would count for little if the biography itself worked well. Certainly the author has complished a mammoth task in knitting together material from 500 interviews and more than 100 archival sources, and be has succeeded in creating an intricate and sometimes fascinating picture of intelligence activities inside Germany and the occupied countries during the war. As a biography, however, his book is much less successful. For much of this time, Roseband lived the covert life of the spy, and the author has obviously had a difficult job piecing together that aspect of his life. He did have access to a number of people who knew Rosebaud well, and yet their views have not been made to serve, as they might have, to weld the other material into a whole. Further, the overall fragmented feel is not helped by the structure. Why, for instance, is an intriguing chapter on Rosebaud's technique as a spy, which could have colored the reading of earlier chapters, left to the end?

Kramish has exposed to public view a remarkable man. I only regret that his labors have not produced a better book.

Peter Goodchild, the head of plays, drama and television at the BBC, wrote this review for the Los Angeles Times.

BRIDGE

By Alan Truscore

THIS year in the South American Championships and perhaps later in the Ber-muda Bowl in Jamaica, Brazil will have a reconstituted team. Gabino Cintra and Gabriel Chagas, two former world champions from Brazil who have been teammates on many occasions, have formed a partnership. In a recent selection event in Rio de Janeiro the two Gabs, as they are likely to be known, sat East and West on the diagramed deal and combined well in defense to four

North's raise to four spades, while hardly standard, makes good sense playing a style in which the one-spade opening is always a five-card suit and limited to 15 high-card points.

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was continued, and South the occasion. Chagas as West

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Stars & Stripes 2-Up; Kookaburra III Takes Opener

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches FREMANTLE, Australia — Dennis Conner and Stars & Stripes are halfway to the America's Cup

For the second straight outing Conner sailed a near-perfect race Wednesday as Stars & Stripes downed New Zealand by 1 minute, 36 seconds to take a 2-0 lead in the best-of-seven America's Cup challenger finals.

Meanwhile, in the opener of the best-of-nine defender finals, Iain Murray and Kookaburra III over-Colin Beashel's Australia IV by 29 seconds. Both yachts protested following the collision.

The jury later disqualified Australia IV for failing to keep clear. Conner, 44, is battling New Zea-

the right to meet the best Australian yacht for the cup, which Conner lost in 1983; before that the United States had held it for 132 years.

Conner stuck to his strategy against the Kiwis — avoiding tacking duels and keeping them safely behind. The loss was New Zea-- in 40 races. Conner's winning margin was the biggest of the yachts' five meetings; he had won Tuesday's race by 1:20.

We were not sailing to our potential today," Dickson said. "We came a prerace collision to defeat need a bittle more practice getting from fourth into fifth gear. Stars & Stripes is a very fast boot."

A few hours after the race the New Zealand syndicate, opting not to race on Thursday, took the day AMERICA'S CUP

Dennis Conner has our backs to the wall," said the syndicate's the third beat, with Conner slicing a wind shift and Kookaburra III chairman, Michael Fay, adding through the choppy seas to round was only 10 seconds back rounding that the lay day would be used to the buoy 1:06 ahead. He added 12 the first mark. behind. The loss was New Zea-land's third—all to Stars & Stripes catch Conner — who had predicted a sweep of the series.

Operating in the moderate 18- to 20-knot winds he sought, Dickson took a one-second edge at the start. But straight-line speed soon powered Stars & Stripes into the flags after Kookaburra III's bow on the second reach forced Murray lead and into control of the race. had banged into Australia IV's stern to cut loose the \$10,000 sail, but he Conner had a substantial 38-second edge after the first mark.

New Zealand, faster downwind,

through both reaches.

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victory for Stars & Stripes.

In the defender race, Murray and 12 seconds ahead. Beashel unfurled their red protest The mishandling

"Our races are like street fights," chopped 20 seconds off the lead on tor, Warren Jones, commenting on ward leg, rounding the buoy 15 the first spinnaker run but couldn't the flurry of protests and collisions seconds ahead. Konkaburra III

seconds on the second windward
leg and maintained the margin lead on the first leg, but Beashel then gambled and broke off from The race turned into a rout on the stronger tacking Murray to play

Murray chopped off a second at For the second straight day, the second mark and, with breezes Conner won all four windward increasing to 20 knots, closed withlegs. It was the 11th consecutive in seven seconds at the third beat; but Beashel rounded the next mark

The mishandling of a spinnaker during maneuvering before the start. nonetheless trailed by only nine seconds at the fifth mark and oversaid Australia IV's executive direction took Beashel on the third wind-Conner, 44, is battling New Zea- off it is allowed under the rules. sustain the momentum. With flaw- on the defenders' course, "The chalstretched the advantage to to section and successful the series will resume Friday. less crew work, Conner regained 17 lenger races are like Sunday sailing." onds at the final mark. (UPI, AP)

Ill Start Today Lendl and Navratilova Gain, but Three Seeds Fall

The Associated Press

the Management was a second of the Management of the control of th MELBOURNE - Top seeds Ivan Lendl and hacked to be in the legacied by provided the Australian Open tennis championbacked somethment in Kale condition that it us reper lost their first matches. ships here Wednesday, but three other seeds

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Lendl and Navratilova, like all seeded playto trake a headed for his es, had byes in the opening round. Many of wednesday's matches were delayed by a mornher classics are workers less ing rainstorm that halted play for 90 minutes.

Two-time Wimbledon tiffiet Boris Becker of Two-time Wimbieson units nous accord behind Lendl, West Germany, seeded second behind Lendl, squandered four match points in the fourth-set the breaker and was even at two sets each with masceded Australian Brod Dyke when the match msceded Austranan root Lyae was talted by darkness. Dyke won the tie breaker, and most forestig er. [4-12, to stay alive at 7-6, 1-6, 4-6, 7-6.

AUSTRALIAN OPEN TENNIS

When the match is resumed Thursday, Becker, 19, will be trying to avoid a repeat of the last Australian Open, in December 1985, when he lost his first match to lightly regarded Michiel Schapers of the Netherlands.

Jakob Hlasek of Switzerland, the 15th seed, also had his match stopped by darkness. Hlasek saved nine match points in his second-rounder against South African Christo Van Rensburg, including coming from 0-6 to win the fourth set tie breaker, 10-8. The match will resume from 6-

4, 3-6, 3-6, 7-6, 4-4. New Zealander Kelly Evernden, ranked 289th in the world, stunned Johan Kriek of the United States in Wednesday's biggest upset. Evernden took a 6-2, 2-6, 6-4, 6-4 victory over the South African-born Kriek, who won this mament in 1981 and '82.

American Davis Cupper Ken Flach, primari-by a doubles player (he had to qualify for the main draw), surprised 12th-seeded Milan

Basketball

NBA Leaders

Srejber of Czechoslovakia, 3-6, 2-6, 7-5, 6-3, 6-3 in a marathon encounter

Lendl had a lapse midway through his meet-ing with Saltz, ranked 329th in the world, but came on strong in the final two sets. "I couldn't have asked for better preparation for this tournament, but that doesn't mean I'm going to win it," said Lendl. "Anyone who can serve and return well is dangerous on these courts."

Japanese teen-ager Akiko Kikimuta pulled off

the biggest surprise in the women's draw, ousting 13th-seeded American Terry Phelps, 6-3, 4-6, 6-0. And while Navranlova had no trouble with Golder, second-seeded Hana Mandhkova of Czechoslovakia and third-seeded Pam Shriver had unexpectedly difficult outings.

Mandlikova had to come from 0-2 down in the final set to beat New Zealander Julie Richardson, 4-6, 6-2, 6-2, while Shriver battled for two and a half hours in downing fellow American Alycia Moulton, 6-2, 4-6, 11-9.
"I was thinking so negatively it wasn't funny," Shriver said. "That is inexcusable for a

player ranked fifth in the world."

NBA Bans Two Rockets for Cocaine Use

New York Times Service

NEW YORK — Lewis Lloyd and Mitchell Wiggins of the Houston Rockets were banned from the National Basketball Association on Tuesday after having

tested positive for cocaine. David Stern, the league's commissioner, announced the suspensions, which were made under provisions of an agreement on drug testing reached in 1983 by the league and its player association, at a hurriedly called oews

The 27-year-old Lloyd, one of Houston's starting guards, and Wiggins, 28, a backup guard, may apply for reinstatement in two

According to Stern, the NBA learned of the players' drug use from a tip. Stern would not divulge the nature of the information, saying only that the league has security personnel in every league city and throughout the

There is no regular mandatory



drug testing, or random drug test-ing, in the NBA; only when there there was no witch hunt bere. is "reasonable cause" can the parties proceed to seek a test. "The evidence must be the equivalent of, say, that in which a magistrate would give a sanction for a search warrant or wiretap to law en-forcement officials," said Stern.

When evidence of drug use reaches the league or the player onion, they are required under the provisions of the agreement to submit the data to R. Harcourt Dodds, a former assistant U.S. attorney and a former deputy New York City police commissioner, who is charged with the responsibility of evaluating the information. If he finds sufficient evidence of drug use, he orders

the player tested. The NBA presented Dodd with the information about Lloyd and Wiggins last Friday and he ordered both players to submit to testing. The tests were administered in Houston on Saturday morning and the positive results were returned Monday night by the Pola Laboratory of South

Plainfield, New Jersey. Lloyd and Wiggins were notified of the ban in Houston by Horace Balmer, the league's director of security. They then met with Charles Grantham, the vice president of the players association and two drug counselors.
Both players agreed to an offer from NBA of drug rehabilitation at league expense and were flown immediately to the Adult Substance Abuse Program, a drug rehabilitatioo center in Van

Nuys, California. clear that the testing was a league move. A coach, for example, who shows dissatisfaction with a playdropped, or he is moody, cannot give that kind of information — ers can secure. Our anti-drug probut we wouldn't listen to that," gram is not passive. We are said Stern. "The evidence must be constantly counseling our players

"All I can tell you," he added, "is that when these two players were confronted with the results, and given an option of entering our drug rehabilitation program in the ASAP facility, they said they would avail themselves of

Lloyd and Wiggins are the third and fourth players banned under the drug agreement. The others are Michael Ray Richardson, the former New Jersey playmaker, and John Drew, the former star for Atlanta and Utah. But the circumstances of the

bans differ. Under the terms of the agreement, a player who comes forward and admits to the use of drugs is given three opportunities for rehabilitation.

The first time, he remains oo the payroll and receives treatment at league expense. The second time, he is removed from the payroll but is treated, also at ague expense. The third time, he is banned Richardson, who was dropped from the league last February,

had been given his three chances before being barred. Drew was banned last January; he had not played in the NBA since December 1984, when he was waived by Utah because of repeated drug abuse. In an effort to rejoin the league be appealed the ban, but the league ruling was upheld.

Lloyd and Wiggins failed to come forward oo their own, and thus there were oo secood

Nuys, California. "They had plenty of chances to come forward," said Stern. "The underpinnings of the NBA's anticlearly stated. Any player volun- me a lot about lying." tarily coming forward and seeker because the player has missed a ing help is entitled to receive, the eye every time and deny it and practice, or his seoring bas without penalty or loss of salary, that's frustrating," he said. "Now the finest rehabilitation treat-ment that the NBA and its play-ers can secure. Our anti-drug proorder drug tests. "The coach can ment that the NBA and its play-



Lewis Lloyd

The expulsion of Lloyd, who earned \$215,000 a year, and Wiggins, who earned \$155,000, put the Rockets under the salary cap. They will be able to replace the players at comparable salaries.

lo Houston, Bill Fitch, the team's coach, said: "You can't measure what happened in terms of wins and losses. I met with the club right after we got the news and it's the type of thing that should not happen to any club, but I suspect we will react in positive ways.

In response to a question on whether he had suspected the use of drugs by Lloyd and Wiggins move, and not an individual team drug program are forceful and Fitch said that this had "taoght

"They'll look you straight in the eye every time and deny it and might have overlooked.

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Wales in Cardiff and Scotland vs.

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A number of Scottish players England-Scotland border country, which has been hit by some of the diff's National Stadium had been cold wave's worst weather. In some cases, it might have proven impossible for them to get to Edinburgh

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"The drifting is still so bad in places that roads could be closed at

"Apart from the problems of getting a team to Twickenham, we

must consider the supporters who have spent a lot of money in buying tickets for this match and might not

Before the postponement Dudley Wood, secretary of the English rugby union, said, "I cannot see any circumstance which will make the pitch anything but playable. We have had a few inches of snow in the area, but we can probably cope with that inside the ground. Outside is a different matter, because conditions are diabolical. Twickenham station is closed and traffic is at a standstill."

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The tournament will now begin on Feb. 7, when England meets Ireland in Duhlin and Wales plays (AFP, AP)

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The works are expected to arrive at the museum today, according to Beenker, who added that an exhibition of the works is scheduled to open on Feb. 22.

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'Stepping Out' With Tommy Tune

By Leslie Bennetts New York Times Service

day, Tommy Tune had been trying to teach a tap-dancing rou-tine to Don Amendolia, a chubby, balding actor who had never danced before. Day after day Amendolia clomped and clattered as he sumbled through segments of the routine.

And then one day he got it. As he tap-danced his way through the intricate steps, putting them all together for the first time, Tune, his eyes brimming, looked over at his dance captain. Tears were streaming down ber cheeks. That real-life reaction mirrored

the typical audience response to "Stepping Out" at the Golden Theater. The show — which Tune describes as "a play with danc-ing" — follows the progress of a most ungainly group of aspiring tap-dancers, an adult education class rehearing for a charity benefit. Taught in a North London church hall, the class ranges from a buxon middle-aged West Indi-an matron to a terrified do-gooder whose husband abuses ber, and on the dance floor each is clumsier than the next. An unlikelierlooking group of dancers would be hard to find, but when they finally learn their routines for the high-stepping finale, the mismatched chorus line invariably prompts a rousing cheer from the

The director, of course, is himself one of the theater's most dazzing dancers. At 6 foot 6 (or, as he prefers to describe it, 5 foot 18). Tune is pencil-thin and graceful as a gazelle; whether striding down the street in his black leather trenchcoat or yanking off his fire-engine-red cowboy boots, he scens incapable of an awkward

Tune's last stage appearance here was with "My One and Only," which he not only starred in but also staged and choreographed with Thommie Walsh. Tune's previous directorial outings have been successful indeed; his off-Broadway credits include "The Club" and "Cloud 9," both of which won Obie and Drama Desk awards, and his successes on Broadway range from "The Best Little Whorehouse in Texas" to

Award for best direction. One TEW YORK - Day after corner of Tune's apartment features a cabinet full of Tonys and other awards, since he has also racked up assorted honors as a choreographer, winning Tonys for both "My One and Only" and "A Day in Hollywood — A Night in the Ukraina."

"Stepping Out," however, pre-sented an unusual challenge. Al-though a British production has been running in London for more than two years, the show seemed a risky venture for New York, particularly since it has no stars and its intimate scale required a small Broadway house where the size of the audience, and therefore the profits, would be limited.

Then there were the creative pitfalls. Tune had been seized with a passion for the show ever since he read Richard Harris's script, but the producer who initially contacted him was determined to Americanize the play and set it in Brooklyn, an experiment that proved a resounding failure. Tune had given up on the project by the time he saw the London production, but the experience galvanized him.

"By the end I was laughing and crying at the same time, which I think is the secret of life and the magic of our existence on this planet. I do believe the magic bes between laughter and tears, and if you can get them at the same time, you're cooking. I thought, I have to do this piece."

Mounting the show was no small feat. Tune believed that the cast had to consist of non-dancers, and so be - like the tapdancing teacher in "Stepping Out" - had only a few weeks to transform a bunch of bumblers into a precision-drilled chorus

"It would have been all wrong if they had known how to dance. They all learned during the six-week rehearsal process. We would spend half the day learning how to dance, and then I would say, Remember an hour ago when you didn't know how to do that? Well, remember that: remember the mistakes you made, because that's your scene as an actor." They were like bule children in tap shoes making real loud noises, but what I love is the honesty with



Director Tune: "Every one of them is chosen."

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which they do it. There's no artifice, no technique. They have nothing to fall back on, which is what makes it so compelling. When they dance, there's no safety net; each step could be the

Although the script is funny as well as moving, many of the most consistent laughs are elicited without a word spoken as the fledgling dancers struggle to learn to move.

"It's very different from the London production," Tune said. The sets are entirely different. the cast is different of course, and the choreography and blocking are entirely different. But the heart of it - and the heart was what appealed to me in the first place - and, I think, the author's intent are the same." Although he has been a profes-

century, Tune had never taught dancing to beginners, and while rehearsing "Stepping Out" he found himself running to the tele-phone to consult his sister, a tap eacher in Fort Worth, Texas. "I'm with pros all the time and I wanted this to be rankly amateur," Tune explains.

Tune - whose family name was Topesmith several generations back - grew up in Houston, where his father serviced oil rigs and trained Tennessee Walking Horses. The young Tommy learned to imitate their gait at an early age, and by the time he was 5 he was enrolled in a dance class. He often staged shows and dance recitals in the family garage, but his childhood dream of becoming a ballet star was derailed by his unusual growth; by the time he

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already reached 6 feet 6 inches. Despite his height. Tune managed to lannch his professional career as a chorus dancer, and won his first Tony award with "Two for the Seesaw" as best supporting actor in a musical

These days, at the age of 47, he seems thrilled with his flexibility to work as both director and per former. The whole reason I did 'My One and Only' was that I had knocked off five plays in a row that I'd directed. I had been extraordinarily bucky that they were all successful, but I needed change to know what more I had to give as a director. I needed to step over and do the other for a while. One feeds the other, and each is a very different perspective on the thing.

"After having done 'My One-and Only' for four years, I was ready to step back again. I think that's part of my value as a director; I know what it feels like to sit in your dressing room at half hour and start putting on your make-up. I know what they're feeling." However, Tune did not want to

return to Broadway to direct a lavish show. "What appealed to me about 'Stepping Out' was its imman scale. It's a small, dear thing. I really didn't want to direct a big expensive scenery mu-sical. I'm not interested in that; it's just not what I think I'm here to do, which is maybe to awaken something that might otherwise be lost in all that splash of glitz and spectacle. My directorial tastes are sort of strange; the things I perform and the things I direct are quite different. But this moved me, so I thought surely if it moves me it's going to move somebody else."

Because it involves an emerging chorus line of dancers, each driven by his or her own doubts, fears and dreams, "Stepping Out" will inevitably be compared with "A Chorus Line." However, Tune sees it as being more like "Rocky." "Every one of them is chosen," he observes. "Every one comes through; they're all Rockics. You don't have to let anyone go, as you do in 'Chorus Line,' where some of them are chosen and some aren't. The truth of 'Stepping Out' is that all of them

Mrs. Thatcher Cheers Domingo in 'Otello'

Prime Miniater Margarel Patcher led a sell-out audience in London Tuesday night to their Pracido Domingo singing the title role in a new production of Verid's "Otello" at the Royal Opera House, Covent Garden. She say in the royal box with her husband. Denis, and Sir Class Moser, chairman of the Royal Opera, then went on the stage to greet the cast and production team, including Katia Ricciarcii, who sang Destemona Justino Diez as Ingo, the conductor Carlos Kielber and Elijah Mo-shinsky, the stage director. A descu fans stayed up all night in freezing temperatures to be first in line for the 108 cheap tickets on sale Tues day morning, while scalpers were getting up to £200 (\$300) for sek-

Rancho Mirage, California, from a a follow-up operation to surgery last November in which a section of his large intestine was removed. Sinatra, 71, had the surgery at Eisenhower Medical Center after finishing a television taping in Hawan. Sinatra underwent emergency surgery in early November after suffering an attack of acute diverticulitis that forced him to cancel a show in Atlantic City, New Jersey.

crossing of the Atlantic in a powerboat, says he will attempt the first Atlantic crossing by hot-air balloon this summer. Branson, head of. the Virgin leisure and airline group was immediately challenged to a race by the British balloon mannfacturer Don Cameron. Branson said he accepted, provided Camer-on agreed to his route from New York to Newfoundland and then across the Atlantic to England.

Ishiguro, has won Britain's nichest literary prize, the Whitbread Book of the Year award, with his second novel, "An Artist of the Floating World." His prize is £18,500 (\$27,700). The book is set in Nagasaki after World War II. Born in Nagasaki, Ishiguro came to England with his parents when he was 6. He was educated at the universities of Canterbury and East Anglia.

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